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LEG-UP TO COMMERCIAL LAUNCH AS ISRO PLACES 36 SATS IN ORBIT

ISRO marks entry into global commercial launch service market by placing 36 satellites of UK firm into orbits

LVM3-M2 CARRIES BRITISH SATELLITES TO SPACE

ISRO's heaviest rocket LVM3-M2 placed the satellites into their intended orbits about 75 minutes after blasting off from Sriharikota at 12.07 am. All satellites separated from the rocket and were dispensed in nine phases over one hour, 15 minutes. The satellites belonged to OneWeb, a customer of NewSpace India Ltd (NSIL), which is ISRO's commercial arm

BHARTI GLOBAL AMONG ONEWEB INVESTORS

- It is for the first time that the three-stage launch vehicle LVM3-M2 is placing satellites in the Low Earth Orbit
- OneWeb is a global communication network powered from space, enabling internet connectivity for governments and businesses. Bharti Global is a major investor in OneWeb | P7

5,796 kg

THE COMBINED WEIGHT OF 36 SATELLITES CARRIED BY LVM3-M2

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FCRA licences to NGOs led by Sonia scrapped

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi

THE Union home ministry has cancelled the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) licences of two NGOs led by outgoing Congress president Sonia Gandhi, the Rajiv Gandhi Foundation (RGF) and the Rajiv Gandhi Charitable Trust (RGCT), for alleged violation of laws, officials revealed on Sunday.

Timed as it was before crucial state elections in Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh, the political play behind the disclosure could not be missed.

The decision came after investigations by an inter-ministerial committee formed by the ministry in 2020. The probe team comprised officers from the ministries of home and finance, besides the CBI and the ED. Another Sonia-led NGO, the Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust, was under probe but no action has it so far.

The Gandhi family is already under pressure from Central law enforcement agencies over the National Herald deal.

Unsurprisingly, the BJP went into hyperbole, claiming the cancellation exposed corruption by the Gandhi family. The NGOs had in the past received donations from China and other overseas sources, BJP leader Sambit Patra alleged at a hurriedly called media briefing at the party headquarters.

"The probe panel found many irregularities in filing income-tax returns, misuse of funds and money laundering. The RGF had received donations from banned Islamic preacher Zakir Naik, the Chinese embassy and the Chinese government. It also accepted contributions from many others accused of corruption, including Yes Bank founder Rana Kapoor, during UPA rule. The cancellation was done in accordance with law and the Constitution," Patra claimed.

Rebutting the charges, Congress leader Jairam Ramesh said the BJP was recycling an old canard. "We will take whatever action it deems appropriate legally. Their activities are completely open and transparent... The Congress will not be browbeaten or deterred from continuing with the Bharat Jodo Yatra that resumes on Oct 27th after a 3-day break," he said.

India in Kohli-ty control

Men in blue began their T20 World Cup campaign with a memorable last-ball win over Pakistan at Melbourne. Set 160 to win, Virat Kohli's unbeaten 82 off 53 balls helped India get across the line in a thriller...

STARTING TROUBLE

As Babar Azam said at the toss, 160 was a par total on the surface. And once their batting line-up somehow managed to set that exact total as the target, it was always going to be challenging for India. And by the time Naseem Shah and Haris Rauf reduced India to 31/4 in 6.4 overs, Pakistan were well and truly on top on the night

90,293

Number of fans at the Melbourne Cricket Ground who watched India vs Pakistan game on Sunday

MASTER APPROVES Kohli's innings proved to be difference in the end as his knock was hailed by Sachin Tendulkar as his best-ever

GETTING BACK ON TRACK

Pakistan had shown India the way earlier during their innings. They were 32/2 at the end of powerplay, before a partnership between Shah Masood and Iftikhar Ahmed brought them back into the game as they scored 99 runs off the last 10 overs. With only one specialist batter to follow, Kohli and Hardik Pandya cut the big shots out and kept India in the chase. They accelerated in the last five overs and their 113 runs partnership from 78 balls was the game-changer

A SIX TO REMEMBER

31 needed off 12 became 28 off 8 as pacer Haris Rauf breathed fire. The hope was beginning to fade for India before Kohli launched Rauf straight down the ground for a six that is going to be spoken about forever. Another six over fine leg meant India needed 16 off the last over

NEVER-ENDING DRAMA

While Pandya was dismissed off the first ball of Nawaz, the six India were looking for never arrived until the fourth ball with 12 needed. A waist-high full-toss (no-ball) was deposited over square-leg by Kohli. After a wide, the next free-hit delivery ricocheted off the stumps and India ran three to bring down equation to 2 off 2. Dinesh Karthik was stumped off the next ball, leaving it to R Ashwin. Nawaz sent in another wide to level the scores before Ashwin scooped the final ball to deliver a famous victory | P13

Xi gets his third five-year term, unveils new team

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

CHINESE President Xi Jinping was on Sunday elected general secretary of the Communist Party, giving him an unprecedented third term in office. He was elected by the the Central Committee that was reconstituted by the party congress on Saturday and packed with Xi's loyalists.

The Central Committee also approved a 24-member politburo, which in turn elected the all-powerful seven-member Standing Committee, which included the President.

Xi then paraded the members of the Standing Committee before the media. "I was re-elected as the general secretary of the CPC Central Committee," Xi said and introduced the other six, two of whom were from the previous committee — Zhao Leji and Wang Huning, the ideologue of Xi. The other four are Li Qiang, Cai Qi, Ding Xuexiang and Li Xi.

Li Qiang, head of the Shanghai CPC, is regarded as a close associate of Xi and widely expected to be promoted as prime minister in March in place of Li Keqiang who retired.

Interestingly, Foreign Minister and State Councillor Wang Yi was elevated to the politburo. P11

EXPRESS READ

Deputy Speaker Mamani passes away at 56

Bengaluru: Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Vishwanath Chandrashekar Mamani, also known as Anand Mamani, passed away at a private hospital on Sunday. He was 56. The Saundatti legislator is survived by his wife and two children. P6

B'lore Univ student who was hit by BMTC bus dies

Bengaluru: Shilpa Shree, the Bangalore University student who was run over by a BMTC bus on campus two weeks ago, passed away on Sunday morning. P5

Somanna 'slaps' woman, but victim says she wasn't

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mysuru

HOUSING Minister V Somanna came under fire from opposition parties after a video of him allegedly slapping a woman at Hangala village in Gundlupet taluk of Chamarajanagar district on Saturday went viral.

Somanna lost his cool as the woman, Kempamma, who was part of a group of protesters, approached him.

Kempamma and other women were protesting, alleging that the authorities had identified families that already had sites as beneficiaries under a housing scheme. Somanna, who was on a day-long tour of border areas, was at the village to distribute title deeds under the programme.

Kempamma managed to reach up to Somanna, when he took a swipe at her and she immediately fell at his feet.

Somanna too apologised for his actions. P6

A visual showing minister V Somanna allegedly slapping Kempamma | EXPRESS

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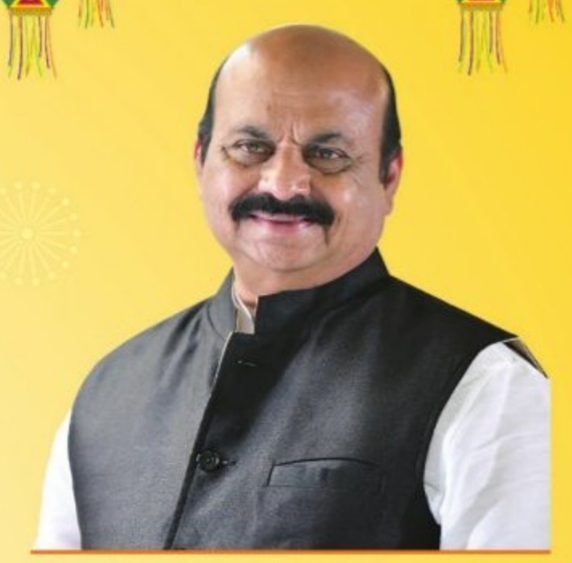

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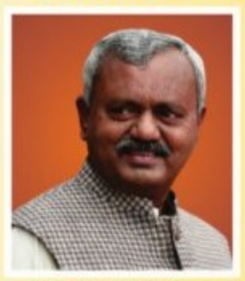

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Moonrise	5.01 am
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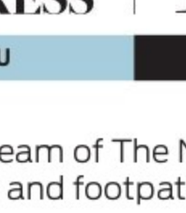
A team of The New Indian Express brings a two part series of why city roads and footpaths are in a pathetic condition and what needs to be done

CITY IN A SHAMBLES: CITIZENS CALL UPON CM TO TEST-RIDE BAD ROADS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

MEMES and stickers about Bengaluru's roads have been trending on social media, the most famous being, 'I am not drunk, but avoiding potholes'. It is a meme every commuter in Bengaluru will relate to.

Agitated with the pathetic condition of city roads, citizens are inviting Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) chief commissioner or Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who holds Bengaluru Development Portfolio, to leave their air-conditioned high-end cars and hitch a ride with them on their two-wheelers to know the actual condition of Bengaluru roads.



"Whenever a chief minister or prime minister is going on city rounds, the roads are tarred, but soon after the visit, the roads are filled with potholes again. Bangalore University road is a classic example of it. There seems to be no solution for bad roads in the city, and now the BBMP is inviting experts to tell engineers how roads should be, which is ironical. Engineers ought to know how to ensure roads are pothole free," voiced an agitated citizen.

Experts point out that spotfix solutions are serving no purpose in improving city roads. Relaying of roads has also proved inefficient. The state capital and tech capital of the country is in the news for the wrong reasons -- flooding, pothole deaths, flyover roads caving in and even pedestrians falling into open drains, leading to deaths.

A motorist precariously negotiates a pothole on HMT Main Road in Bengaluru on Sunday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Bengaluru has no corporation or mayor, no elected representatives and no dedicated minister responsible for works and improvement. "Citizen deaths have not shaken the government into taking stern action and improving roads. High Court directions have also fallen on deaf ears. Despite multiple projects and agencies including DULT, Bengaluru Smart City Limited, BBMP, TenderSure roads, white topping and many other projects, the city continues to be in a shambles, and citizens pray with every step they take. This is because each project is being executed independently, but each agency is working in isolation," admitted a senior UDD official.

Pothole apathy: Apartment residents form human chain

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

IN a bid to bring the BBMP's attention to the appalling state of roads and potholes in their vicinity, residents of Prestige Kensington Gardens and other residential complexes formed a human chain at the apartment premises near the HMT facility at Jalahalli. The residents claimed that they had initially planned to walk from the complex to HMT Hospital, but were denied permission by the police. Hence, they staged their protest near the complex itself.

According to them, the condition of roads and pavements from BEL Circle to Peenya Metro Station via HMT Main Road, Jalahalli, is getting worse by the day. "The roads which were a nightmare to drive on earlier, have turned even more precarious after the recent rain, resulting in multiple accidents in the past few months," a resident said, adding that a 66-year-old senior citizen suffered multiple fractures and is on bed rest for three months, following a pothole-related accident recently.

The residents claimed they have been highlighting these issues with the civic authorities over the last six months, but in vain. "Due to pressure, some patch work has been done, however, some moderate rain falls and the potholes reappear," said another resident, adding that to bring their hardship to the BBMP's notice, the human chain was organised.

Residents of Prestige Kensington Gardens protest against bad roads and potholes in Jalahalli in Bengaluru on Sunday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

PILLAR OF PEACE
Buddhist monks stand in front of a 25-foot cement mural of the Buddha, which was unveiled at Maha Bodhi Society in Bengaluru on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Despite High Court order, political flexes continue to dot cityscape

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

DAYS after the election to the post of the AICC president and birthdays of several Congress leaders, flexes containing images of its leaders and members continue to dot several parts of the city. The BBMP, which had claimed it would take action against anyone violating the High Court's direction on flexes and banners, is yet to act.

At Russell Market, supporters of MLA Rizwan Arshad have put up big banners across the wall, wishing him on his birthday, which was celebrated a few weeks ago. These were reportedly put up by former BBMP corporator Shakeel Ahmed and his supporters, who reportedly put up flexes

around the iconic Russell Market. In Domlur, supporters of MLA NA Harris have put up a huge flex wishing M Mallikarjun Kharge for his election as the new AICC president.

There is a standing instruction under the BBMP Act, 2020, specifically under Section 3 of Open Places (Prevention of Disfigurement) Act, 1981, banning banners, buntings, flexes and posters from being put up in BBMP limits. One can also be booked for defacing BBMP property with such materials.

Recently, during former CM Siddaramaiah's birthday bash, 'Siddaramotsava', two Congress leaders were booked by the Vidhana Soudha police for putting up flexes nearby.

Similarly, on another occasion, supporters of BJP general secretary CT Ravi had planted banners at Vidhana Soudha and Raj Bhavan.

Despite BBMP filing 26 FIRs against illegal flexes, politicos continue to ignore both its rules as well as High Court directives. "Now that the issue has come to my notice, I will ask the official concerned from the Bengaluru East Zone to have the flexes removed," said RL Deepak, Special Commissioner, Revenue Department, BBMP.

EXPRESS READ

AFTER MILK, KMF NOW SUPPLIES ICE CREAMS TO ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS

BENGALURU: After supplying milk to Andaman and Nicobar islands, the Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) has now started supplying ice creams to the Union Territory. The first consignment of 12,000 litres of ice creams was sent last week. KMF officials informed The New Indian Express that this is the first time that ice creams are being supplied to the Andamans. "It was done on a trial basis. But now we are waiting for more orders. Based on the feedback, the orders will be replenished or increased. Good Life milk, which has five to six years shelf life, is being sent to the islands. We are ready to supply as and when we get orders, while quantity is also not problem," the official said. KMF is supplying milk, ghee and butter to some nations in the Middle East. **ENS**

PM visit: BMRCL frees up space on road to KIA

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

A flurry of activities is under way since the last two days on the Bengaluru-Hyderabad NH-44, which leads to the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA), in anticipation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Bengaluru on November 11.

The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is set to open a portion of the road it had closed for an underpass that was never constructed, while the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) has been asked to free up a portion of the road it has blocked in connection with a station on its KR Puram-KIA line.

Metro contractor's staff move barricades on the Bengaluru-Hyderabad NH-44.

"Our contractor, NCC Limited, has been carrying out work on a stretch of road near the service-lane for the Doddajala Metro station. The NHAI has asked us to reduce the width of the space we have occupied on the road from 7 metres to 5 metres, since they want the road to be wider during the PM's visit. We have started doing the same from Saturday. The barricades are being pushed inside," Metro sources told *TNIE*.

Another source said, "The space occupied by BMRCL was necessary as machinery and other parts had to be housed within the construction space, but until November 11, we have agreed to reduce our working space."

A senior NHAI source told *TNIE* that the main road leading to the airport was being overhauled as the PM was arriving. The NHAI had blocked the middle of the road at Sadahalli Junction for years.

"The closed portion will be opened up and a new road will be laid here on priority," the source added.

Overpass planned

A portion of the road was closed by NHAI at Sadahalli for nearly six years, as we had planned building a vehicular underpass at this spot, in order to decongest the airport road.

"However, it was never built as a series of contractors never carried out the job and repeatedly got back months later, saying costs have shot up. We have recently decided to build an overpass at the spot," he added.

Puja, cultural programme mark Deepavali for these kids

BENGALURU: Dream India Network, an NGO which houses and educates underprivileged children, on Sunday held a Deepawali programme. They started with a Deepawali puja, with people from all religions participating. Later, the invitees took oath before lamps to stay committed to the ethos of India. The programme continued with a cultural programme throughout the day. At 3pm, Sarwadharma Sammelana was organised and people from various faiths participated. Vijayanand Swamiji said, "We need more such platforms to spread the message of light, love and harmony." Moulana Sufi Waliba Khadri reminded the gathering of the obligation of religious leaders to step in when society takes a step in the wrong direction in the name of power, money and position. Archbishop Peter Machado said that everyone should celebrate Deepavali. Dream India Network currently houses 600 children through a network of 75 foster homes. The homes maintain a secular nature and accommodate all children, irrespective of religion, caste and class. To inculcate unity among children and respect for all religions, Dream India Network celebrates three major festivals a year -- Deepavali, Bakrid and Christmas.

Now, Deepavali excuse to stop demolition drive

ENS @ Bengaluru

AFTER Dasara, the BBMP is now giving Deepavali as an excuse to delay a drive to clear storm water drains of encroachments.

The BBMP that had earlier demolished a few sheds and claimed that it will not bow down to any pressure has stopped all action. Palike engineers tried to reason, saying the drive had been stopped because of Deepavali and officials were working till Friday. They said a few cases are pending before the tahsildar and the drive will resume once the files are cleared. Executive Engineer, Storm Water Drain, R Malathi told *The New Indian Express*, "The Palike will take up the drive from Thursday. There will be a meeting on Wednesday and teams will be assigned locations to resume the drive."

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

24th October: This week's stars bring another of those celestial crunch points that we've become used to lately. Serious Saturn and intense Pluto are resuming their astronomical argument. But while it ups the tension, the advice is simple: be cautious, keep it cool and take it easy.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Optimism breeds enthusiasm, which in turn breeds confidence. This is a law of life which is now coming into its own, as Mars, your planetary ruler, approaches the next phase of its relationship to Jupiter. You'll do best if you pay extra careful attention to your intuition.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Something's going on - but what? The whole tone of the week is likely to be coloured by a vague feeling that some sort of major event is looming, but you'll be unable to put your finger on the details before next weekend. In any case, you're in a strong position today, so with a little effort in the right places you'll make the most of it.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Your financial stars are so finely poised that you could make a fortune, but one false move and you'll lose the lot. I've spelt out the risks, so it's up to you whether you go ahead or wait a while. You'll probably feel more confident tomorrow, but guard against complacency.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You're now following your stars through the middle stages of a cycle of growth, opportunity and expansion. Looking at the long-term, you must now consolidate. In general, the time for revolution is over, although you can spring a few surprises over the next three days.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
You have so much to offer. In fact, this is your time to save the world. Or at least, that's what you may think. First, you need to make sure that you actually know what other people want. Keep secret ambitions under review. It may soon be time to break your cover and make your intentions clear.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Although there's still plenty of time to make professional plans and steer other ambitions back on course, the time for glory may have passed, at least for a little while. Your romantic stars are heading for a burst of brilliance in a couple of weeks' time, so you can begin to fill up your diary.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Your ability to reconcile rivals and hold different factions together is one of your undoubted strengths, but this week you must calculate whether your peace-making efforts will be worth it. You've got some pretty strong opinions today, but that doesn't mean that you're always right!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
All Scorpios in any way connected to the travel industry or educational world have a great deal of potential, but must play their hand cautiously. Every single one of you must watch out for legal complications this week. Plus, of course, you're busy catching up with jobs that should have been finished a long time ago.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Sometimes you have to yield to a superior force, if only temporarily. Unfortunately, you are no longer in any position to lay down the law or force the pace. There seems to be a tiny matter of an issue of principle to sort out first, although a less promising week for getting to the facts cannot be imagined!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Deep down you know that the moment is not yet right to burn your boats. Yet with Mars, the fiery planet, intimately linked with Saturn, planet of limits and boundaries, the symbolism is right for a definite, if rather confused, break. But, of course, you have to do it without letting anyone down.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Optimism at work is one thing but, if you move too fast, then others will be left behind this week. You'll then be on a downward slope of misunderstandings, arguments and eventually a falling out. Take the trouble to explain yourself and keep friends and relations on your team.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Jupiter is your protector, but it is being undermined by various other irritating planets, so you may succumb to confusion and muddles. You have a choice, of course - revert to being a typically irresponsible Piscean for the duration! A little forward planning would help!

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Beat up Miles in a scrimmage (7)
5 Dismisses part of the wind section we hear (5)
8 How sad it can be for those hoping one day to rule (6,7)
9 Moral rule put in French and in Latin here (5)
10 For cutting out clients' letters? (7)
11 To score as a writer (6)
12 Do some relief work? (6)
15 Baltic country resort one is at (7)
17 Nothing is as confusing as its mirage (5)
19 A conservative all one's life? (5,2,3,3)
20 Fruit goes out of fashion (5)
21 Sharpen a pen and show candour (7)

DOWN
1 Offspring produced periodically (5)
2 Coyly decline initial offers for a rare dramatic work? (4,4,2,3)
3 His arrival will give his parents little pride (4,3)
4 Tax cut (6)
5 Possibly bears a weapon (5)
6 What a patient may lose in the theatre (13)
7 Pays for lights (7)
11 Like sheep are in a shed (7)
13 Water bird - an injured heron - put under the doctor (7)
14 Worn-out shoe? (6)
16 They're played for money (5)
18 Unfortunately the lady's been upset (5)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Two-masters, 6 Case, 10 Mafia, 11 Seventies, 12 Up to date, 13 Hello, 15 Climate, 17 Stripes, 19 Algiers, 21 Anemone, 22 Draft, 24 Napoleon, 27 Never fear, 28 Meter, 29 Wolf, 30 Wellington.

Down: 1 Tomb, 2 Offspring, 3 Alamo, 4 Testate, 5 Reviews, 7 Ariel, 8 East of Suez, 9 In charge, 14 Ice and snow, 16 Aperture, 18 Photostat, 20 Sincere, 21 Apparel, 23 Anvil, 25 Lemon, 26 Iron.

JUMBLE UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: SLANT KHAKI HUBCAP GOBLET
Answer: The two people building the staircase were working together — IN LOCKSTEP

Nimhans will organise a 'Mental Health Santhe' on November 3, 2022 for the World Mental Health Awareness Day. The aim of the santhe is to educate the public, media professionals and students on mental health and suicide prevention by bringing all stakeholders under one roof to make mental health and well-being for all a global priority

Woman disabled, panel tells hosp to pay her ₹25L

After delivery, she started shivering, nurse put hot water bags under her legs, injuring them

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

HOLDING Tamara Hospital and IVF Centre in Bengaluru responsible for negligence that led a 28-year-old woman to suffer permanent disability, the Consumer Commission directed the hospital to pay her Rs 25 lakh compensation, Rs 2,47,288 medical expenses with 10 per cent interest, and Rs 50,000 litigation expenses. The woman suffered burns caused by excessive heat of hot water bags kept near her ankles after delivering a baby.

The woman, a resident of Sriramapuram, gave birth to a baby girl through Caesarean section, at 1pm in March 2020. After delivery, she experienced a severe bout of shivering, so the duty nurse put two hot water bags under her legs, near the ankles, and covered her with blankets right up to the neck. But she failed to inform the complainant's attendants, who were present in the room, taking care of the baby.

Since the complainant was under anaesthesia, she did not experience any sensation or pain. After the anaesthesia effect faded about 4 pm, she felt a prickly sensation below the ankle. Her mother removed the blanket covering her legs and found two hot water bags below her ankles, and was shocked to find her skin breaking out in bubbles filled with water.

The woman couldn't stand or walk, resulting in permanent disability. Even after visiting two hospitals in the city, undergoing plastic surgery in Kerala and getting treated for keloid, her condition did not return to normal. She approached the hospital, which initially agreed to bear the expenses of treatment but finally offered only Rs 50,000 as a goodwill gesture, forcing the woman to approach the Consumer Commission.

The Commission, comprising president HR Srinivas and member YS Thammanna, said, "The principles for granting compensation is that it should not be a lottery, bonanza or windfall to the complainant but should be adequate, just, proper and reasonable for the sufferings of the complainant."

The Commission also said that if there was no negligence or deficiency in service in providing treatment, the hospital would not have ventured to offer a gesture of goodwill. This alone goes to show that in order to cover their deficiencies, they have come forward to pay an amount to see that the matter does not become public, as it would be a blow to their hospital doctors.

Noting that the woman was deprived of enjoying motherhood due to her sufferings, the Commission stated that it is pathetic that the complainant was unable to walk or stand on her own, and requires support even to rise from a chair.

"It clearly shows that she has become incapacitated for life and work independently. In our view, she has become a permanently disabled person," the Commission observed.

On the hospital's contention that the complainant's mother had sought a hot water bottle, the Commission observed that the hospital, doctor and nursing staff have to take utmost care of the patient and it cannot act on the advice or request of the patient or relatives.

WISHES FOR PROSPERITY

After a two-year lull owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, the atmosphere is filled with Deepavali fervour once again. (Clockwise from left) A decked-up Commercial Street; Flower vendors at the famous KR Market make a brisk business on Deepavali eve and children buy firecrackers | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA, NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Pillion killed after bike hits electric pole

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

NOT wearing helmet proved fatal for a 34-year-old man after he died sustaining head injuries in a road accident in RT Nagar traffic police station limits in the city on Sunday morning.

The deceased has been identified as Dhruvanand, a resident of RT Nagar. His friend, Devendra Reddy, who was riding the two-wheeler, sustained injuries in the accident and is undergoing treatment at a hospital. His condition is said to be out of danger, said sources.

The police said the incident occurred on Ballari Road at around 4.45 am on Sunday when the duo was going on a bike.

Devendra Reddy lost control of the vehicle which hit the footpath before ramming into an electric pole. While Reddy sustained injuries, Dhruvanand sustained head injuries and died on the spot. He was not wearing a helmet.

RT Nagar traffic police have registered a case and are investigating further.

Girl crushed by BMTC bus dies after 2-week battle

DONNA EVA @Bengaluru

AFTER almost a two-week-long battle, **Shilpa Shree**, the victim who was crushed by a BMTC bus on the Jnanabharti campus, passed away on Sunday morning. Shilpa, who was 22, was pursuing her MSc in mathematics at Bangalore University. After her injuries, she was in a medically-induced coma. Sources said that she passed away around 4.30 am. The last rites were conducted on Sunday afternoon.

The bus had run over her while she was trying to board it on the campus. Most of the lower half of her body had been severely damaged. The accident triggered intense protests by students and faculty members of the university, who demanded that the vehicle movement inside the campus be restricted and other safety measures be taken.

Hailing from Bangarpet, she was staying in the university hostel. BMTC was bearing her medical expenses, while the university had announced that it will take care of other expenditure.

Meanwhile, another student who was also injured on the infamous road inside the campus was shifted to Nimhans recently for treatment of his head injury. Ramanjinappa G, a 40-year-old research scholar pursuing his PhD at the university, is currently in a coma.

A source had told *TNIE* that Ramanjinappa was injured after he went over a speed-breaker that was not marked properly. It was shortly after Shilpa's accident. He has suffered a brain haemorrhage as well as a chest and lung wound.

"He was shifted to Nimhans on October 21. He is still in the ICU. Doctors said that though his condition has remained unchanged, he is showing signs of responsiveness as his hands and legs are shaking," the source added

Students threaten to take up protest again

Bengaluru: Students of Bangalore University (BU) have threatened to resume their protest if a meeting is not held with the government soon. Following the death of Shilpa Shree, a BU student who was run over by a BMTC bus, students have stated that they will resume their protest if safety measures aren't taken by the government on campus. The students are also demanding that the government give compensation of at least Rs 1.5 cr to Shilpa's family, as well as offer her family members government jobs, to ensure they are well taken care of. "We were given assurances by Cooperation Minister ST Somashekar and Housing Minister V Somanna that they would fix a meeting between the Chief Minister and university. However, this has not happened so far. Since we are on leave, we are giving time until Thursday to call a meeting, failing which we will call for a strike," Lokesh Ram, vice-president of the BU PG and Research Scholars' Union, told TNIE. "It remains to be seen if a meeting will be held. However, if there is no action from the government or ministers' side, we will go ahead with our protest," he told TNIE.

Unable to bear harassment, 25-yr-old newly wed teacher commits suicide

ENS @Bengaluru

ALLEGED harassment by her husband and in-laws drove a newly-wed teacher to end her life in Puttenahalli police station limits. The victim Niharika (25) hailed from Mysuru and was working as a teacher in a private school. Her husband, Karthik, works with a bank and the couple lived in an apartment in Thippareddy Layout.

The police said that Niharika and Karthik were in love and got married in June. However, differences cropped up and Karthik allegedly started harassing her over trivial issues and also restricted her from going out. His parents and sisters also allegedly harassed Niharika, who had informed her father about the harassment.

A few months ago, her father Shivalingaradhya had visited his daughter's family and had asked them not to harass her. "However, unable to bear the harassment, Niharika deserted her husband and was living in her cousin's house. Karthik had persuaded her to return home a few days ago. On Saturday, she wanted to go to the school as there was some programme but Karthik and her in-laws had stopped her. Niharika was upset over this and informed the same to her cousin over the phone. Late in the evening, she hanged herself from the fan in her room. The incident came to light when her cousin, who tried contacting her, called Karthik after she didn't answer the calls. Karthik informed the cousin that Niharika had died after which the latter's family members rushed to her house," the police said. The police have taken up a case against Karthik and his family and are on the lookout for them as they are absconding. Meanwhile, Niharika's eyes were donated by her parents.

If you are having suicidal thoughts or are in emotional distress help is available at SAHAI (080-25497777, open from Monday to Saturday from 10 am to 10pm) and 104 Arogya Sahayavani available 24/7.

EXPRESS READ

HC rejects default bail plea of Gauri Lankesh murder accused

BENGALURU: The High Court of Karnataka has dismissed a petition filed by an accused in the journalist **Gauri Lankesh** murder case seeking 'default bail' by challenging a lower court order. Hrishikesh Devdikar of Maharashtra was arrested in January 2020 and sent to judicial custody in connection with the case. Later, he filed an application for 'statutory/default bail' under Section 167(2) of Criminal Procedure Code in the Special court. However, his application was not considered by the court. Hence, he approached the High Court against this. The accused's contention was that since it was a murder case, a charge sheet had to be filed within 90 days of his arrest. But no charge sheet was filed against him even on April 4, 2020, so he should automatically get bail as per Subsection (2) of Section 167 of CrPC. The government advocate argued that Devdikar was absconding and a charge sheet had already been filed in his absence. *(Agencies)*

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C/515, Kanakia Zillion, Junction of LBS Road & CST Road, BKC Annexe, Near Equionox, Kurla (West), Mumbai-400070. Mobile :+91 8148107201 / Board : + 91 022 26544000, E-mail : karthi.govindasamy@omkaraarc.com

APPENDIX-IV [Rule 8 (1)] Possession Notice (for Immovable property)

WHEREAS the Authorized Officer of the Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd, (OARPL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a below mentioned demand notices calling upon the below mentioned borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice being with futher interest and costs within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

Further, it is on record that Indusind Bank Ltd. (IBL) the original creditor has assigned all its rights, title and interest of the entire outstanding debt lying against above referred borrowers/loan account along with underlying securities in favor of Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. acting as Trustee of Omkara PS 06/2021-22 Trust under the provisions of SARFAESI Act. Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd, (OARPL) a company incorporated under the provisions of Companies Act, 1956 and duly registered with Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as an Asset Reconstruction Company under section 3 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("The SARFAESI Act, 2002") having CIN No U67100TZ2014PTC020363 and its registered office at 9, M.P. Nagar, 1st Street, Kongu Nagar Extn, Tirupur – 641607 and corporate office at C/515, Kanakia Zillion, Junction of LBS Road and CST Road, BKC Annexe Near Equinox, Kurla West, Mumbai – 400070, is herein acting in its capacity as a Trustee of "Omkara PS 06/2021-22 Trust" Pursuant to the said assignment of debt/financial assets in favour of Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. (OARPL) has stepped into the shoes of Indusind Bank Ltd. (IBL) and has become entitled to recover the entire outstanding dues and enforce the security.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-section (4) of section 13 the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules,2002.

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd,** for below mentioned amounts and interest thereon, less amounts paid since issue of demand notice.

The details of the assets/ properties hypothecated/ assigned/ charged/ mortgaged to our Company in the above account and whose possession has taken are given hereunder:

(1) Name of the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers : M/s. Swastik Marketing, Rep. by its Proprietor;Co-Borrowers/GuarantorsMr. Mahaveer Chand, Mrs. Sangeeta Devi, M/s. Mahaveer Stationery Mart, Rep. by its Proprietor;
Demand Notice Date : 10-11-2021
Amount: Rs.98,56,458.38/-(Rupees Ninety EightLakhs Fifty SixThousand Four Hundred Fifty Eight and Paise Thirty Eight only) together with further interest as mentioned against respective credit facility in the said notice plus costs, charges and expenses etc.

(2) Name of the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers : Mr. Mahaveer Chand;Co-Borrowers/Guarantors : Mrs. Sangeeta Devi,M/s. Swastik Marketing, Rep. by its Proprietor, M/s. Mahaveer Stationery Mart, Rep. by its Proprietor;
Demand Notice Date : 11-11-2021
Amount: Rs.68,30,667.09/-(Rupees Sixty EightLakhs Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Sevenand Paise Nine only) together with further interest as mentioned against respective credit facility in the said notice plus costs, charges and expenses etc.

Physical Possession Date : 17-10-2022

Common Description of the Immovable Property of M/s. Swastik Marketing & Mr. Mahaveer Chand

Property of Mr. Mahaveer Chand and Mrs. Sangeeta Devi (Sale Deed Document No: 1880-2011-12 dated 30-09-2011) : Schedule" C" property : All that Residential Apartment bearing No.H-1604, in Sixteenth Floor of Snowdrop Block, forming part of "THE GARDENS" built in Schedule "A" property and apartment measuring 1769 Sq. Feet of super built area inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use and with exclusive right of usage One Car Parking slot bearing No.H-1604 in upper basement level and the apartment bearing municipal No.9/825, Binnyston Garden, Magadi Road, Municipal ward No.120 of Chickpet Sub division and apartment bounded by: East: Apartment No. H-1605 in Sixteenth Floor in Snowdrop Block of 'The Gardens' West: Open towards Rosebay Block 'The Gadens' North: Open towards open space in Snowdrop Block of 'The Gardens' South: Lobby and Apartment No. H-1603 in Sixteenth Floor in Snowdrop Block of 'The Gardens'

Date : 17.10.2022
Place:Bangalore

Authorised Officer,
For Omkara Assets Reconstruction Pvt Ltd
(Acting in its capacity as a Trustee of Omkara PS06/2021-22 Trust)

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)
Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within 60 days from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) Rathna K, 2) Vinod K	Loan Account No. 45349438795000 Loan Amount Rs.10, 85,659/-	Schedule-II: Details of Secured Assets - Mortgaged Immovable Property: All the piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.22, Old Katha No.71/3, New BBMP Katha No.71/3-22, Situated at Hongasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently comes under the BBPM Limits, Measuring East to West: 40 Feet, North to South: 20 Feet, in all Measuring 800 sq.ft., along with RCC roofed house built thereon and Bounded on: East by: Part of Site Nos.25 & 24, West by: Road, North by: Site No.21, South by: 23.	Date of NPA: 29-11-2022 Demand Notice Date: 20-10-2022	Rs.13,98,734.40 (Rupee Thirteen lakh Ninety Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Four and Forty Paisa only) as on 18-10-2022
2	1) C. M. Nagaraj, 2) Sunil Kumar, 3) Shilpa N.	Loan Account No. 45359420000286 Loan Amount Rs.23,39,317/-	Schedule-II: Details of Secured Assets - Mortgaged Immovable Property: All the Piece and Parcel of the Southern portion of property bearing Site No.8/11, H.L.No.166, measuring East to West 31 feet and North to South 25 feet total Measuring 775 sq.ft. situated at Byappanaahalli Manavarthkaval Village, Krishnarajpuram, Bangalore East Taluk and Presently cones under the limits of BBMP and Bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Military Property, North by: Remaining Portion of site no.8/11 retained by the vendor herein, South by: Private Property.	Date of NPA: 08-11-2021 Demand Notice Date: 20-10-2022	Rs.30,92,957.30 (Rupees Thirty Lakh Ninety two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Seven and Thirty Paisa only) as on 16-10-2022
3	1) Karnataka Plastics, 2) Mrs. Najmunissa, 3) Mr. Irfan Pasha, 4) Mr. Arfath Pasha	Loan Account No 30198649844622 Loan Amount: Rs.18,00,000/-	Schedule-II: Details of Secured Assets - Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing BBMP No.18, situated at Shivaraj Road, 'B' Street, Deverjeevanahalli (formerly Bearing Site no.15, Assessment No.67, of Jodi Deverajeevanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli Bangalore North Taluk) Bangalore and within BBMP Ward No.95, PID No.95-220-18 and together measuring East to West 30 ft. and North to South 30 ft. totally measuring 900 sq.ft. Bounded on the: West by: Private property, North by: Property belongs to Mrs. Najmunnissa, South by: Road, East by: Road.	Date of NPA: 02-07-2022 Demand Notice Date: 20-10-2022	Rs.18,14,823.16 (Rupee Eighteen Lakh Fourteen thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Three And Sixteen Paisa only) as of 18-10-2022
4	1) SLV Chicken Stall, 2) Venkatesh R, 3) Geetha V, 4) Ramakrishnashetty G	Loan Account No. 31838950001941 Loan Amount Rs.6,00,000/-	Schedule-II: Details of Secured Assets - Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the Site No.03, Property No.110, Junjuru No.175, Byatarayana Doddi Village, Form No.9 & 10, Bannergatta Grama Panchayat, Butanahalli Dhakale, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. Measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet in total 1,200 Sq.ft. East by: Private property, West by: Road, North by: Road, South by: Site No.04.	Date of NPA: 04-09-2022 Demand Notice Date: 20-10-2022	Rs.6,55,064.24 (Rupee Six Lakh Fifty Five Thousand sixty four and twenty four only) as of 18.10.2022

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No.6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 22.10.2022, Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited

Guv okays quota ordinance The Governor has given his assent to the ordinance to increase reservation for SC/ST communities. A special gazette notification has been issued, detailing that reservation for Scheduled Castes will be increased from 15% to 17% and for Scheduled Tribes from 3% to 7%

(Left) A large gathering during the funeral of Anand Mamani at Saundatti on Sunday; CM Basavaraj Bommai hands over the National Flag to Mamani's wife

MODI, BOMMAI CONDOLE ANAND MAMANI'S DEATH

CM says the Deputy Speaker had great concerns for farmers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Belagavi

THOUSANDS of people, including political leaders cutting across party lines, paid their last respects to Anand Mamani, Deputy Speaker of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly, who passed away due to illness in the wee hours of Sunday in Bengaluru.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Assembly Speaker Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri, Belagavi District In-charge Minister Govind Karjol, Large and Medium Industries Minister Murugesh Nirani, Public Works Department Minister CC Patil and other paid their tributes to the mortal remains of Mamani.

A three-time MLA from Saundatti, Mamani (56) was undergoing treatment at a private hospital in Bengaluru for the last few weeks. He is survived by his wife, a daughter and a son.

Mamani's late father Chandrashekhar Mallikarjun Mamani had also served as the Deputy Speaker in the 1990s.

Mamani's mortal remains were kept for public viewing at Taluk Stadium in Saundatti in Belagavi district.

Bommai, who arrived from Bengaluru, earlier met Mamani's mother Gangamma and other family members.

Condoling his death, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said Mamani was a formidable leader who worked extensively for social empowerment. "He also worked to strengthen the BJP across Karnataka. Condolences to his family and supporters," Modi said in a tweet.

Speaking to media persons, Bommai expressed grief over the loss of a young leader who had a vision for development and concern for farmers. "We lost him at a very young age. Being an active person, Mamani always discussed the development work of his constituency. He was looking very healthy when we met just a one-and-a-half months ago. He was a popular leader and had great concern for farmers. He worked with great concern, especially for expansion of irrigation facilities," Bommai recalled.

The government, party, and his constituency has lost a great leader who always believed in comprehensive development, Bommai said, adding that the legislator had dreamt of many development works, including setting up a sugar factory.

Union Minister Prahlad Joshi, former CM Jagadish Shettar, MP Mangala Angadi, Rajya Sabha member Eranna Kadadi, MLAs Mahesh Kumthalli, Mahantesh Dodagoudar, Mahadevappa Yadawad, Duryodhan Aihole, Mahantesh Kaujalagi, Siddu Savadi, Amrut Desai, Arvind Bellad, and Nimbannavar, MLCs Basavaraj Horatti, Prakash Hukkeri, and Lakshman Savadi, several pontiffs and dignitaries paid their homage to Mamani.

Inspector General of Police (Northern range) Satish Kumar, DC Nitesh Patil, Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer Darshan, District Superintendent of Police Dr Sanjiv Patil and others were also present.

A guard of honour was given to Mamani and a two-minute silence was observed.

KITTUR UTSAV DEFERRED BY A DAY

Belagavi: The three-day Kittur Utsav, which was to be inaugurated by CM Basavaraj Bommai on Sunday, has now been deferred by a day, Kittur MLA Mahantesh Doudagoudar has said. The utsav will now be inaugurated on Monday. Speaking to media persons, the MLA said, "Not just Belagavi, but the entire state has lost a good leader. His demise has pained the people of region."

Rahul Gandhi thanks Kannadigas for their love as yatra enters Telangana

RAMAKRISHNA BADSESHI
@ Raichur

THE Karnataka leg of the Bharat Jodo Yatra led by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi concluded in Raichur district on Sunday.

On its last day in Karnataka, the yatra began from Anandgal School near Yarmaras of Raichur district, following which Rahul halted near Shaktinagar checkpost for some tea. The yatra then entered Mahabubnagar in Telangana crossing the Krishna River bridge. The yatra covered 14 km in Karnataka on the last day. Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah, KPCC president DK Shivakumar, Leader of Opposition in the Council BK Hariprasad, former ministers H Anjaneya and Krishna Byregowda, and KPCC working president Saleem Ahmed were present.

Taking to Twitter, Rahul said, "Karnataka's great poet & writer Kuvempu had described this land as 'a garden of peace and harmony for all'. His immortal words have been reaffirmed through the Bharat Jodo Yatra. Heartfelt gratitude to the people of Karnataka for their love and support"

In a Facebook post, the Wayanad MP said, "Thank you, Raichur, for the wonderful support extended to the #Bharat Jodo Yatra. We have walked 500 km in Karnataka and received immense love, unconditional affection and unimaginable strength from each Kannadiga. The days of yatra have shown me that there is palpable distress among people, but also a passion to fight for their dreams'.

"Kannadigas have resolved to fight unemployment, control inflation and put an end to hate: Kannadigas have resolved to stop the BJP's 40 per cent commission sarkar, and we will fight alongside them in this battle, until Karnataka emerges victorious, embracing peace & prosperity once again," he added.

After reaching Gadeballur village of Telangana, Rahul had lunch and continued his padayatra to Maktal.

People greet Congress leader Rahul Gandhi in Raichur district on Sunday | EXPRESS

Karnataka's great poet & writer Kuvempu had described this land as 'a garden of peace and harmony for all'

Rahul Gandhi, Wayanad MP and Congress leader

STRAWS IN THE WIND

Diwali's Dharwad peda for traffic cops

Traffic policemen collecting fines and 'mamool' across city signals is nothing new, but a BJP spokesman passing critical remarks against this practice is strange. The Karnataka police order on Wednesday enforces a fine of Rs 1,000 on those who don't wear seatbelts — both on the front and back seats, and applies to SUVs, MUVs, hatchbacks and sedans. While there have been grumbles on how it would mean greater harassment of the public, one person who raised objections was former head of the BJP Media Cell S Prakash. He took to social media to sarcastically say that traffic police are pleased as punch, and behaving like they have received 'Dharwad Peda'. Voicing the common man's angst, Prakash said policemen who go around taking photos of offenders on mobiles, reap a bounty in fines, and have got free rein to extract cash. Truth to speak, Prakash is turning into an aam aadmi's advocate...

Theory of relativity: Nirani aging slower, Rahul faster?

Karnataka Industries Minister Murugesh Nirani, who spent considerable time jetting abroad, feels he is aging slowly. At a press conference, when a scribe remarked that he was looking young after his long trip abroad, ahead of the Global Investors' Meet, the minister was quite flummoxed. Industries Commissioner Gunjan Krishna attributed it to an effect called "time dilation", proposed in scientist Albert Einstein's 1915 Theory of General Relativity. The debate persisted, with some elaborating that those who spend more time in space age slower than those who have their feet on the earth. Working on this premise, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, who's been on the Bharat Jodo Yatra for almost 45 days now, should be aging faster. But Congress leaders claim he's only getting seasoned and gaining wisdom from Planet Earth.

No Entry: MIA Ramya not allowed on stage

Sandalwood star and former Mandya Congress MP Ramya aka Divya Spandana, who headed the Congress social media cell and was conspicuously missing in action all these days, suddenly appeared in Raichur on Saturday, for the first time since the Yatra began. She walked with Rahul Gandhi right up to Basaveshwara Circle. Later, when the scheduled public function started, she tried to go up on stage but was stopped by security personnel who objected, saying her name did not figure among the VVIPs who were to be allowed to be seated on stage for the programme. Ramya argued with the security personnel, then left the programme in a huff.

Farmers plan stir over delay in fixing of sugarcane prices

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Mysuru

THE Karnataka State Sugarcane Growers' Association has called for a statewide stir to protest the delay in fixing price of sugarcane.

Association president Kurbur Shanthakumar said Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, the Sugar Minister and others have held four meetings with framers and sugar factory owners but nothing has materialised despite farmers staging stir for the last four months.

Accusing the State Government of giving in to sugar factory owners' lobby, Shanthakumar said the government must fix a minimum of Rs 3,500 per tonne of sugarcane.

Alleging that the government has betrayed farmers by not fixing sugarcane prices, he lashed out at MLAs, MPs and ministers for not standing in support of 30 lakh sugarcane growers.

When the Home Minister and MPs can take a delegation of areca farmers to New Delhi, why have they neglected sugarcane growers? he asked.

Shanthakumar said the farmers will block roads on October 27 and stage a protest in front of all DCs' offices on October 31.

Kurbur Shanthakumar addresses the media in Mysuru | UDAYASHANKAR S

Somanna is unfit to be a min: Siddu

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As the video went viral and BJP state president Nalinkumar Kateel was set to visit Gundlupet as part of the BJP Sanghatan Yatra, Somanna's supporters managed to console the protesting women to play down the issue. Kempamma, too, later maintained that the minister did not slap her and he assured her of a site to construct a house. In another video, she says she thanks the minister for his help and she would keep his photo in her newly built house.

Somanna too apologised for his actions. The minister said he has seen ups and downs in his 45-year public life and that nothing unruly occurred at the function. He maintained that the woman came on the stage after pushing others. The incident was not intentional, he said, and added that he comes from a poor background and he has high regard for women. "I ensured that she got the title deed. I would apologise if I have hurt anyone," he said.

Leader of Opposition Siddaramaiah said, "Somanna is unfit to be a minister. He should be dropped. Are they made ministers to raise their hand against women or Dalits or backward classes?"

KPCC working president R Druvanarayan said such incidents will further tarnish the image of politicians and demanded an apology from the minister. Congress spokesman Ramesh Babu said people in public life should have patience and the slap on the woman shows arrogance and fundamentalism of the minister.

JDS spokesman N Raju Gowda said there is no protection for women under the BJP government and the incident is a great insult to women. He appealed to the civilised society to pull up the government.

The contents of the gift box

Anand Singh's 'costly' gifts to elected reps triggers controversy

AMIT S UPADHYE @Hubballi

TOURISM Minister Anand Singh, who represents the Hosapete constituency, is at the centre of a controversy as he has lavished elected members of his constituency with expensive Deepavali gifts.

The invitation for the Lakshmi puja at his house has come in a box and contains gold, silver, clothing and cash. Photos of the box and its contents have now gone viral. Singh refused to comment on the criticism.

He has distributed two sets of gift boxes — one for municipal corporation members and the other for gram panchayat members. While Rs 1 lakh cash, 144 gm of gold, 1 kg of silver, a silk saree, a dhoti and a dry fruit box have been given for municipal members, panchayat members have received lesser cash and no gold, but all the other items.

The Hosapete constituency has one Municipal corporation with 35 elected and five nominated members and 10 gram panchayats with 182 members. It's said that some elected municipal members refused to take the gift boxes and alleged that Singh is doling out goodies as the Assembly elections are nearing.

But supporters said Singh sends gifts to elected representatives every Deepavali and it has become a controversy this year only because of the impending polls. They said besides elected representatives, officials and other important persons in the district too were sent the gift boxes.

"Singh sends gift boxes as part of the invitation during every Ganesha and Deepavali festivals. He sends them to his close friends and elected representatives. We are not sure why it has been whipped into a controversy," said a supporter of Anand Singh from Hosapete.

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A supporter of Minister Anand Singh

'State will benefit from Mahadayi in a year'

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@Hubballi

UNION minister and Dharwad MP Pralhad Joshi has said that the government is aware about the Mahadayi project and all the efforts are being taken for its early implementation.

"People are demanding through workshops on the details of project implementation. What would people do taking the project design? They need water and it will come within a year. Irrigation minister Govind Karjol is doing excellent work. Efforts are being made to save the forest during the project work with the help of modern technology," Joshi said.

Hitting out at former MLA NH Konaraddi, who had organised a workshop on Mahadayi project implementation, Joshi said that there are a few jobless people who conduct such workshops. Reacting sharply to the statements of Joshi, Konaraddi later told the media, "If we are jobless, Joshi is in power and with a job. We demand he implement the project in the right spirit," he said.

Nikhil may contest Assembly polls from Maddur

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@ Bengaluru

WHEN JDS leader and former CM HD Kumaraswamy recently announced that his son **Nikhil** will contest the 2023 Assembly polls, he did not reveal which constituency the latter would pick. Now, there is talk that he would run from Maddur.

Then, former minister DC Thammanna, father-in-law of HD Deve Gowda's son Dr Ramesh, will have to pave the way for Nikhil. Thammanna has been told that he would be given a ticket to contest the 2024 Lok Sabha polls from Mandya.

Though Nikhil, who had lost against Sumalatha in the 2019 LS polls, wanted to avenge the defeat by contesting the 2024 polls, he has been told by the Gowda family to contest the Assembly polls.

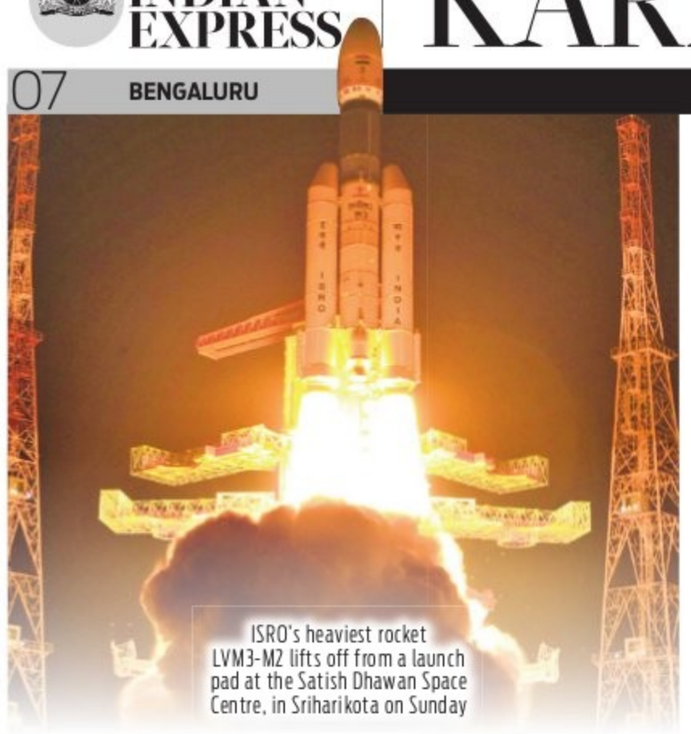
The Assembly segments of Ramanagar, Channapatna and Maddur that are next to each other are all represented by JDS. Anitha Kumaraswamy and Kumaraswamy are MLAs from the first two seats. Besides, the Gowda family expects the move to have a cascading effect in the entire Mandya district, where the party is strong.

If Nikhil contests from Maddur, there will be strong opposition as Doddarasinekere in the constituency is the birthplace of late actor Ambareesh and chances of Sumalatha fielding her son Abhishek cannot be ruled out, a source told *TNIE*.

Former minister Chaluvarayaswamy, who has switched from JDS to Congress, may advice Sumalatha to join Congress. It will also be interesting to see if Siddaramaiah would back Abhishek to defeat Nikhil. But the grapevine also has it that Abhishek may contest from Mandya.

In the recent past, there was talk of Anitha sacrificing her Ramanagar seat to Nikhil. But the family decided against it as JDS needs adequate numbers of MLAs and it is possible only if all the politically active members in the family fight the polls. Chances of former minister HD Revanna's wife Bhavani also contesting from any of the seats in Hassan district cannot be ruled out, another source said.

Two people were killed when a fire broke out at a makeshift firecracker stall set up on Gymkhana grounds under the Satyanarayanapuram police station limits in Vijayawada on Sunday. The deceased have been identified as Kaasi of Vijayawada and Brahmam from Piduguralla. They used to work in a cloth store, whose owner had also set up the firecracker stall



ISRO's heaviest rocket LVM3-M2 lifts off from a launch pad at the Satish Dhawan Space Centre, in Sriharikota on Sunday

ISRO scripts history, launches heaviest rocket

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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INDIAN Space Research Organisations' (ISRO) heaviest rocket LVM3-M2 successfully placed 36 UK-origin satellites in space on Sunday after 75 minutes of launch.

The broadband communication satellites belong to OneWeb Ltd, a communications company with headquarters in London that is working towards building broadband satellite internet services. This is the company's 14th launch, adding another 36 satellites taking its current network up to 462 satellites.

The launch took place at the Sriharikota spaceport at 12:07am on Sunday

The launch of the LVM3-M2 and the satellites marked a historic moment for ISRO and India as the rocket is the heaviest ever to be successfully launched by ISRO as well as the satellites working towards providing internet connectivity across India by next year. OneWeb Ltd collaborated with NewSpace India Ltd (NSIL), ISRO's commercial arm, to put the satellites into orbit. The company has stated that the launch is a step towards establishing a global communication network and enable connectivity across governments and businesses.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, "I congratulate NSIL, IN-SPACe and ISRO on the launch of our heaviest launch vehicle LVM3-M2 with 36 OneWeb satellites meant for global connectivity. The LVM3-M2 exemplifies Atmanirbharta and enhances India's competitive edge in the global commercial launch service market."

ISRO Chairman S Somanath congratulated the team, and said, "I also want to thank the OneWeb team for having confidence in us to host the LVM3. We hope that the next mission of LVM3 will do the same to place the remaining 36 satellites it has been contracted by NSIL."

EXPRESS READ

25-yr-old content editor falls into SWD in TN, dies

CHENNAI: A 25-year-old journalist died on Sunday after he allegedly attempted to jump over a stormwater drain that was under construction and slipped inside, near Kasi theatre at Ashok Nagar. The deceased S Muthukrishnan (25) from Puliyangudi in Tenkasi, worked as a content editor at a media organisation in Ekkattuthangal. The incident occurred on Saturday night at around 12 when he was returning to his residence in Kandanchavadi near Perungudi. According to the MGR Nagar police, Muthukrishnan passed by the unfinished drain which had been dug up on the road, and tried to jump across. **ENS**

Kerala Guv asks 9 VCs to quit by noon today

State govt advises varsity heads to stay put; fresh appointments to be made, says Khan

SOVI VIDYADHARAN @T'Puram

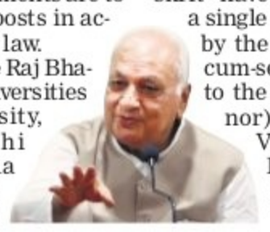
IN a shocking development, Kerala Governor **Arif Mohammed Khan** on Sunday asked vice-chancellors of nine state universities to submit their resignations by 11.30am on Monday.

Coming barely hours after the LDF announced its plans to organise protests against the governor, the move is being seen as his retaliation to the Left front's offensive. It also has legal experts divided. Interestingly, the VCs asked to quit include Kerala University's V P Mahadevan Pillai whose term ends the same day.

Meanwhile, the state government is learnt to have advised the VCs to stay put. Sources said the government has taken the opinion of legal and constitutional experts and is likely to move court against the order.

Khan's directive came in the wake of Friday's Supreme Court verdict quashing the appointment of the APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University VC over violation of UGC norms. The apex court had held that a VC search-cum-selection committee constituted contrary to the norms or appointment made on the basis of single-name panel shall be "illegal and void ab initio."

In a letter to the VCs, Khan said in view of the judgement, the appointments made in state universities contrary to the law have to be rectified. He said fresh appointments are to be made to these posts in accordance with the law.



According to the Raj Bhavan, VCs of six universities – Kerala University, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Kannur University, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University and Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit – have to step down as only a single name was provided by the respective search-cum-selection committee to the chancellor (governor) for appointment. VCs of Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University, Calicut University and Cochin University of Science and Technology were asked to quit as a "non-academician" (chief secretary) was part of the three-member VC selection committee. Higher Education Minister termed the governor's move unfortunate and unprecedented. "It's unfortunate that a governor issues such a diktat without any consultation with the government," she said.

(With inputs from Kochi)

LDF mulls over stripping Khan of chancellorship

T'puram: As the tussle between the state government and the governor is escalating, the ruling LDF has said it will discuss ways and steps to strip the governor of the powers of the chancellor of universities in the state. The Front also announced it will hold a protest against Arif Mohammed Khan in front of the Raj Bhavan on November 15. "The governor makes big claims thinking that he has powers that he doesn't have. His claim of sacking ministers is just boasting. He is exceeding his brief," CPI state secretary Kanam Rajendran said. **ENS**

Four days after B'gavi teen's murder, 3 held

ENS @ Belagavi

BELAGAVI city police on Sundya arrested three persons, including two minors, in connection with the murder of a 16-year-old Prajwal Shivanand Karegar on October 19 on the outskirts of Mucchandi village in Belagavi taluk. Investigation revealed that old rivalry between two groups resulted in the murder.

The accused are Laxman Yallappa Hosamani (19) a resident of Khanagaon (BK) of Belagavi taluk. Two more teenagers were arrested, who are studying in PU first and second years. Karegar was found murdered at a farmland in Mucchhandi village in Belagavi taluk. A team led by inspector Prabhakar Dharmatti from Camp police station cracked the case.

Leopard litters in cane field, 2 cubs handed over to foresters

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru/Mysuru

THOSE around T Narasipur town in Mysuru and adjoining Mandya districts are living in fear as a leopard has given birth to two cubs at a sugarcane field. The farm owner, who heard the calls of the cubs, alerted the villagers and handed them over to the forest department.

Shankar Chikkanna, a farmer from Kempapura in Sosale hobli, has written to the forest department, stating that 11 days ago, the leopard carried away his dogs from his land on survey number 152, 153, 90, 91 and 92.

Another farmer, Jagannath K, too said that the leopard killed and ate his Mudhol hound. The leopard attacking the dog has been caught on his CCTV camera. He too has complained to the Forest Department. He said that sighting a leopard in Brindavan Gardens at KRS Dam, which is around 30 km away, has only stoked people's fear further. Labourers are now scared to work in the fields.

Forest department personnel with the leopard cubs found in a sugarcane field

PCCF Vijay Gogi and APCCF Kumar Pushkar were both unavailable for comment when TNIE tried to contact them on Sunday evening.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai is handling the forest portfolio after the minister, Umesh Katti, passed away recently. There have been demands for him to hand it over to a competent person as important files related to the department have been pending as he has been busy.

27 yrs later, endosulfan victim dies

ENS @ Mangaluru

A 30-year-old endosulfan victim from Belthangady taluk in Dakshina Kannada district died on Saturday night. Sharath, is survived by his parents Somappa Gowda and Lalitha, and two sisters.

When he was 3 years old, Sharath could neither walk or talk, and later, it was diagnosed that he and his sister Bharathi were victims of endosulfan.

Shridhar Gowda, an endosulfan activist, told TNIE Bharathi is bed ridden while the elder sister is married. "Devoid of a proper road, the family members, who are poor, have to walk 1km to reach the main road," he said.

Dr Naveen Chandra, surveillance officer for endosulfan, said that Sharath used to get ₹4,000 per month as assistance from the government. "There was no other facility. Somappa was a coolie. Deaths among endosulfan victims are on the rise, but the government has no information. The government should provide a compensation of Rs 10 lakh to the kin of the deceased endosulfan victim," he urged.

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Dr Naveen Chandra, surveillance officer for endosulfan victims

BANGALORE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD
Office of the Chief Engineer (Project),
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No: BWSSB/CE(P)/ACE(Cstr & DCW/851/2022-23 Date:21.10.2022

INVITATION FOR TENDER
(Only Through E-Procurement Portal)

BWSSB invites tenders in Two Stage tender system from eligible contractors for the work of **Construction of 6.5ML capacity GLR and 1ML capacity OHT at Sampigehalli Arkavathi BDA Layout, Bangalore.**
Amount put to tender: **Rs. 20,00,00,000/-**
EMD: **Rs. 20,00,000/-**
The last date and time for receipt of completed tenders is on **15.11.2022 upto 16.00 Hrs.** The Bids will be opened on **17.11.2022 at 16.30 Hrs.** The details regarding the tender and participation in the e-procurement process can be obtained by logging on to **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** For further details contact undersigned office during the woking hours.

Sd/-
DIPR/CP/JA /2756/2022-23 Chief Engineer (Project)

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No.: SEE(W&M)/HSN/EE(O)/DCA/AEE-2/2022-23/3673-76 Dt: 18.10.2022

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement Portal only)

KPTCL invites bids from the eligible bidders on electronic mode for following works on **Partial Turnkey Basis.**

(1) Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL/SEE(W&M)/HSN/2022-23/17 for **Providing additional 1X8 MVA, 66/11kV Transformer at 66/11kV Gangur in Belur Taluk, Hassan District, Karnataka state.** Work Indent No: **KPTCL/2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT9826.**

(2) Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL/SEE(W&M)/HSN/2022-23/18 for **Providing additional 1X8 MVA, 66/11 kV Transformer at 66kV Gendehalli sub-station in Belur Taluk, Hassan District, Karnataka State.** Work Indent No: **KPTCL/2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT/9827.**

(3) Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL/SEE(W&M)/HSN/2022-23/19 for **Providing additional 1X8 MVA, 66/11 kV Transformer at 66kV Ugane sub-station in Hassan Taluk, Hassan District, Karnataka State.** Work Indent No: **KPTCL/2022-23/SS/WORK_INDENT/9828.**

The detailed information regarding subject enquiry in e-Procurement portal can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink e-Procurement or **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **27.10.2022 on 11.00 AM** and other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Enginer, Ele.,
Tr. (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Prasarana Bhavan, 2nd Floor, Santhepete, B.M. Road, Hassan-573201.

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited
(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

PUBLIC NOTICE

No. EEE/TL&SS/NEL/AEE(O)/GF-42/2022-23/2438-41 Date: 14.10.2022

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation (KPTCL) Limited is a Power Transmission Utility, wholly owned by Government of Karnataka. Under the guidelines of Central Electricity Authority, Government of India, KPTCL is Transmitting power under different Extra High voltage of 400KV,220KV,110kV &66KV.

The Transmission Lines coming under the jurisdiction of the undersigned is passing through the Geographical area of Nelamangala Taluk, Magadi Taluk, Dasanapura Hobli in Bengaluru North Taluk, Tavarekere & Kengeri Hobli in Bengaluru South Taluk.

The KPTCL has observed, public are constructing Residential buildings, Industries , Commercial Establishments etc., in the corridor of the Transmission lines in the above mentioned Geographical areas. In some places, Residential buildings were constructed and residing underneath the Transmission Lines, which is endangerous to the life of public and their property. Due to this the number of electrical accidents are occurring and increasing day by day. Due to this life and property of the public is at risk.

KPTCL does not encourage constructing buildings, planting trees, storing flammable materials under the lines or involving other activities near High Voltage lines. As such activities may result in loss of public property and lives. KPTCL Officials is enlightening the public the effect of construction of buildings underneath the Transmission lines and dangerous involved through notices and oral communications. Despite if any accidents occurred and the owners of those buildings are themselves are responsible for the same.

Construction of buildings/temporary sheds close to electric towers or tying banners and buntings to the tower are extremely dangerous. Public are hereby requested to inform nearest KPTCL office if they see any such activities.

Walking, flying kites and drying clothes on top of buildings constructed close to or below Extra High Voltage lines is very dangerous as it will be subjected to induction zone of Extra High Voltage lines which will result in casualities or even death. Such accidents are frequently reported in many newspapers and in electronic media. So in order to stop such accidents, owners/residents of such buildings should not carry out any activities under or in vicinity of such Extra High Voltage Lines.

As per Central Electricity Authority Regulations-2010 for Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply) construction of buildings below present overhead Power lines is illegal. As mentioned in the Regulation, the owners of the buildings that are constructed close to and below the overhead Transmission lines should see that the minimum horizontal clearance are maintained from the building are shown below.

Clearance	66KV	220KV	400KV
Horizontal	2.3 Metres	3.8 Metres	5.6 Metres

As per C.E.A Regulations it is the responsibility of every citizen to maintain minimum Horizontal distance as mentioned above. In view of safety it is informed to clear such buildings that are built illegally. Otherwise the owners will be held responsible for any future accidents, interruption in power supply etc, and police complaint will be registered against the offenders and necessary action will be taken as per law.

This notification is issued in Public interest.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer (Elec.),
TL & SS Division, KPTCL, Sondekoppa Road, Nelamangala-562123.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)
NO: EEE/AEE(O)/KMWD/F-29/22-23/1485 Date:17.10.2022

NOTIFICATION

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited has formulated scheme under section 67 of the electricity supply act 2003 and the same is here with published in pursuance of section 67(2) (C) of the scheme are as follows.

1) Construction of proposed 66KV SC line on DC towers with Coyote ACSR conductor from the existing 66/11 KV Y.Hunasenahalli S/S to the existing 66/11 KV Pallicherlu S/S for a distance of 9.829 Kms.
DPR cost :**Rs. 577.12 Lakhs**
New 66 kV line Pass through the villages Name and Survey Nos.

Sl. No.	Tower Nos	Revenue Survey Nos.	Name of Village
Hobli : Shidlagatta, Taluk: Shidlagatta, Dist: Chikkaballapura			
1	Bay to AP1/DD+0 NBT	67	Y. Hunasenahalli
2	AP1/DD+0 NBT to AP2/DD+03 NBT	67	
3	AP2/DD+03 to AP3/DD+03	67, 71	
4	AP3/DD+03 to AP4/DC+03 NBT	69, 68	
5	AP3/DD+03 NBT to AP4/DC+03 NBT	82	Gyaradi
6	AP3/DD+00 NBT to AP4/DC+03 NBT	1	Dodda dasenahalli
7	AP4/DC+03 NBT to AP5/DC+03 NBT	1, 114	
8	AP4/DC+03 NBT to AP5/DC+03 NBT	10,9,8,7,6	Beerappanahalli
9	AP4/DC+03 NBT to AP5/DC+03 NBT	50,49,51,79, 73,74, 75,61,80, 81,52,70,67	Chikkadasena halli
10	AP5/DC+03 NBT to AP6/DC+06 NBT	67,59,57,56,55	
11	AP5/DC+03 NBT to AP6/DC+06 NBT	27,29,28,36, 35,34, 44,32	Basavana parti
12	AP6/DC+06 NBT to AP7/DC+03 NBT	43,1	
13	AP6/DC+06 NBT to AP7/DC+03 NBT	1	Varahunasena halli
14	AP7/DC+03 NBT to AP8/DC+06 NBT	1,68,78,67	
15	AP8/DC+06 NBT to AP9/DC+03 NBT	1	Siddapura
16	AP8/DC+06 NBT to AP9/DC+03 NBT	212,205,206,203	Pallicherlu
17	AP9/DC+03 NBT to AP10/DC+06 NBT	203,200,196,214	
18	AP10/DC+06 NBT to AP11/DC+06 NBT	214	
19	AP11/DC+06 NBT to AP12/DD+03 NBT	143	
20	AP12/DD+03 NBT to AP13/DD+00 NBT	143	
21	AP13/DD+00 NBT to AP14/DD+00 existing	143	
22	AP14/DD+00 Existing to bay	143	

2) Establishing 1x12.5 MVA, 66/11 kV Sub-Station at Ramadeveragudi (Balagere village) in Chikkaballapura Taluk, & Dist and Construction of 66KV LILO line to proposed Ramadeveragudi (Balagere village) S/S using coyote ACSR from the proposed 66KV DC line to 66/11 KV Nellimaradahalli S/S from 66KV Gowribidanur-Persandara-Irgampalli SC line near Somenahalli tap point for a distance of 4.210 Kms in, Chikkaballapura Taluk & Dist.
DPR Cost: **Rs. 1002.4 Lakhs**
New 66 kV line Pass through the villages Name and Survey Nos.

Sl. No.	Tower Nos	Revenue Survey Nos.	Name of Village
Hobli : Kasaba, Taluk: Chikkaballapura, Dist: Chikkaballapura			
1	TW No.1/LILO to TW No.2	33	S.I. Golla Chinnappanahalli
2	TW No.2 to TW No.3	33	
		85,81	Rayappanahalli
3	TW No.3 to TW No.4	81,85,82	
4	TW No.4 to TW No.5	82,83	
5	TW No.5 to TW No.6	83,84,74,73	
6	TW No.6 to TW ~~No.7~~	73,74,75	
		95	Soppahalli
7	TW No.7 to TW No.8	95,85,84,83,82,79	
8	TW No.8 to TW No.9	79,80,76	
9	TW No.9 to TW No. 10	76,75,77,74	
10	TW No.10 to TW No. 11	74,77,72,73,69,68	
11	TW No.11 to TW No. 12	68,17,19,218	
12	TW No.12 to TW No. 13	218,217,18	
13	TW No.13 to TW No. 14	18	
		220	Devasthanada hosahalli
14	TW No.14 to TW No. 15	220,219,222,221,189	
15	TW No.15 to TW No. 16	189,186,185	
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17	TW No.17 to TW No. 18	183	
		84	Iniminchenahalli
		182	Devasthanada hosahalli
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19	TW No.19 to TW No. 20	170,171,166	
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21	TW No.21 to TW No. 22	163,162	
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KPTCL shall have exercise all powers which the telegraphic authorities possess under Part-3 of telegraphic act 1885(13 of 1885) for implementation of the above schemes. Any objections regarding the above schemes shall be sent to the undersigned within 15 days from the date of publication of this notification for KPTCL pursuance.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele)
Major Works Division, KPTCL, Kolar.

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EDITORIAL

The rights of every man are diminished when the rights of one man are threatened — John F Kennedy

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SC FIAT TO THREE STATES ON HATE SPEECH IS A DOUBLE-EDGED WEAPON

The Supreme Court empowering the police in Delhi, UP and Uttarakhand to initiate action against loose cannons indulging in hate speech suo motu irrespective of their religion, could end up being a double-edged weapon. Giving the police omnibus powers is fraught with risk as it could lead to unforeseen consequences since the force by default leans towards the party in power. Yet, the bench took the leap of faith, as its earlier advice to the government to consider the Law Commission's recommendation to frame a new law to tackle the menace did not elicit a satisfactory response. In September, it had cited the landmark SC guidelines in the Visakha case for dealing with sexual harassment of women at the workplace, to indicate it could do something similar on hate speech. The legal hassle, though, is that hate speech is yet to be properly defined. Besides, there are understandable concerns that an expansive new legislation on the matter could as well end up curbing free speech.

The bench in its interim order warned it would slap contempt charges against officials who refuse to take action, adding they need not wait for people to file formal complaints to go after the offenders. That strict police action does shut up some peddlers of hate like it did with the arrest of godman Kalicharan in Madhya Pradesh who spewed venom on Gandhiji, is not denied. But let's remember, it was the Congress-ruled Chhattisgarh government that had ordered his arrest. Instances of police inaction or hyperactivity abound depending on the party in power. In its affidavit on the 2019 northeast Delhi riots, the police found nothing wrong in the fiery speech of a BJP upstart, who allegedly was one of the instigators. Also, recall the UP Police's hesitation to take action against the prime accused in the Lakhimpur Kheri murders, and the ease with which he got bail because he is the son of a Union minister. He is back in jail only because the SC read the riot act.

The bench on Friday last also demanded an action taken report on all pending complaints of hate speech in the three states. Would the action be taken evenly against all provocative speeches, be it at Dharm Sansads or by politicians of all shades? Or would it mean further demolitions of buildings owned by Muslims alone? We keep our fingers crossed.

ROZGAR MELA ADMISSION OF INDIA'S JOB CRISIS

Lack of employment opportunities is a serious problem in India. The government's recent Rozgar Mela initiative, which promises to offer 10 lakh jobs, is an oblique admission of this situation. The Rozgar Mela launched by the prime minister promises 10 lakh jobs—the nature of which we are not yet entirely sure about. Some of them will be government jobs, it seems. Of course, the Central government can go on a hiring spree as it recently admitted that around 10 lakh posts in various Central government departments were lying vacant. The Rozgar Mela will most likely see BJP-ruled states also taking part and filling up some vacancies in state departments. The government has long remained in denial mode on the issue of employment and the quality of jobs. When posed this question, it kept claiming that start-ups and the gig economy were creating millions of jobs. This claim has been belied by various job surveys—both government and private sector.

The riots early this year in various parts of UP and Bihar—where railways job aspirants went on a rampage over changes in the pattern of the exams—and the recent scenes during UP PET exams, for which 37 lakh aspirants had applied for a handful of jobs, shows a different picture than what the government has been trying to paint.

Yes, start-ups are creating jobs, but many of them have disrupted existing businesses, making several old business establishments redundant. So, a lot of people who were employed elsewhere are joining the now famously known gig economy. CMIE data in October shows the unemployment rate again inching towards 8% after falling below 6.43% in September 2022. Rural unemployment above 8% suggests non-farm jobs are still fewer and far between. In the past year, the unemployment rate has been above 7% in eight of the past 12 months. The government's own periodic labour force data suggests that labour force participation has been consistently below 50% for quite some time.

More worrying is the fact that India's long-term growth prospects do not look as bright as some would want you to believe. More and more analysts and economists are now seeing 6–6.5% in the long run, rather than 7%. A decade or so ago, analysts and economic commentators would say if India grows at anything below 8%, it would be a demographic disaster. Let's hope we are not in for a demographic shock.

QUICK TAKE

IMPROVE WOMEN INMATES' CONDITIONS

Female prisoners in Delhi jails earned ₹79 lakh in wages this year. That's heartening, the fruit of routinised reformative measures in Tihar and Mandoli jails. Sadly, prisons elsewhere in India are a source of daily humiliation and indignity for women. Violations during body searches, lack of privacy and protein for pregnant or lactating women, and their sexual exploitation are routine. Not all states have adopted the reformist model prisons manual of 2016. A model mindset is needed to deal with the severity of the problem. To begin with, women's jails, exclusively for women prisoners, must become the national norm.

This new leadership race is going to be a lot shorter than the last. Officials have set a week's target to complete it

CONSERVING THE CONSERVATIVES' IMAGE IN UK

DAVID HARPER
Journalist and Presenter, London

There's a running joke on British social media at the moment. Someone posts a picture of a baby and says, "This is my son. He's only four months old, and he's already seen two monarchs, two prime ministers and four Chancellors of the Exchequer." The problem is, it's not funny anymore.

It's difficult to summarise the British political landscape since July in just a few paragraphs, but I'll give it my best shot. After months of growing opposition in the country and his party, Boris Johnson resigned as prime minister but vowed to stay until a successor was chosen. This kicked off a lengthy process to find a new leader of the Conservative Party—several MPs were nominated, but this was whittled down to just two in a series of votes within the parliamentary party.

The final candidates were Rishi Sunak (the preferred choice amongst MPs) and Liz Truss. The choice was down to all Conservative Party members, and they disagreed with their elected MPs.

Rishi Sunak had rooted his campaign in a conservative (in the literal sense) approach, declaring that there would have to be some difficult economic choices ahead in the face of the war in Ukraine, increases in energy costs and rising inflation. Truss was Conservative in the political sense, declaring that the way forward was for tax cuts in the hope of increasing growth and boosting the economy. She told the party members exactly what they wanted to hear, and they made her party leader and prime minister by a convincing margin.

Once in power, she then had to deliver on this promise. Her new finance minister—Chancellor of the Exchequer, Kwasi Kwarteng—set out a 'mini budget' in which the details of her plan were announced. The result was devastating. The markets went into turmoil, the British Pound dropped to its lowest level against the US Dollar in decades, and The Bank of England raised interest rates to calm already rising inflation—increasing mortgage payments for thousands of Brits.

This was not what you would call a glowing start for a new leader. Opinion polls predicted the opposition Labour party were miles ahead—even suggesting the Conservatives would face a near wipe out if there were to be an election soon.

I'll just let that sink in for a moment. One of the most established political movements of the United Kingdom—the party of Winston Churchill, Benjamin Disraeli and Margaret Thatcher—could face being in third place in a General Election.

SOUMYADIP SINHA

Kwasi Kwarteng's resignation followed soon after. Downing Street had already seen one short-term Chancellor—Nadhim Zahawi—during the summer, now Kwarteng had the second shortest tenure in history. (If you're interested, the only person to serve a shorter term was Iain MacLeod, who died of a heart attack just a month after being appointed in 1970).

Kwarteng was replaced by the experienced Conservative minister Jeremy Hunt. Hunt set about reversing most of the disastrous 'mini budget', but the damage had been done. U-turns never look good in politics, and confidence in the Truss government was still hard to find. The criticism from within her own party grew until it was made clear to her that she had to go. She announced her resignation on Thursday and is now expected to be the shortest-serving PM in British history, with less than two months in the job.

While the details of this are all very interesting, for those living in the United Kingdom, it's created a state of instability unseen in living memory. People in the street hardly know who their government is, let alone what they stand for or what the future holds. While everything hangs in the balance, businesses are unsure where (or even whether) to invest, and that hesitation impacts everyone, from CEOs to workers.

One thing is for certain. This new leadership race is going to be a lot shorter than the last. Officials have set a week's target to complete the process, and MPs will need nominations from at least 100 of their colleagues to be in the running. Given that they currently have 357 MPs, there aren't going to be more than three contenders.

The list of those contenders is changing rapidly. We don't know where the nominations have fallen, but at the time of writing, it's being reported that Rishi Sunak has comfortably cleared the threshold of a hundred. He has also formally declared he's taking part. Penny Mordaunt (who came in third place last time) was the first candidate to have officially said she is standing.

And that leaves Boris Johnson. He may have resigned as prime minister but still sits as an MP and is also believed to have many nominations to try to return as leader. Some in the party hope that he will. Many in the country hope that he won't. It's hard to make any concrete predictions at this stage, but bookmakers' odds are putting Rishi Sunak in the lead, with Boris Johnson close behind. Johnson may take their vote if these final two are put to the party members. What this shows more than anything is the scale of the division we are experiencing in British politics: The division between the wishes of party members and their MPs, but also amongst the MPs themselves.

It's hard to write anything on British politics without mentioning Brexit—Britain's highly controversial departure from the European Union. It would be wrong to attribute every event of the last few years to Brexit, but it's undoubtedly played a big part. The decision to leave wasn't debated on usual party lines—both the governing Conservatives and the opposition Labour party had sizable groups of people who were pro and anti-Brexit—and so it stoked an era of politicians routinely fighting battles within their own party. Labour has battled through an era of conflict between their far-left former leader, Jeremy Corbyn, and the more centre-left members. The Conservatives have struggled with numerous internal divides too, and the hardest part of any new (or semi-new) leader's job will be to try to heal them. Given the scale of the other problems facing the country, that's no trivial task.

(Tweets @ThatDavidHarper)

HANUMAN, A HOME-GROWN SUPERHERO FOR THE AGES

RENUKA NARAYANAN

FAITHLINE

Happy Deepavali, dear readers. While we celebrate Sri Rama's return, it seems appropriate to think of his greatest devotee, Sri Hanuman. Both north and south are deeply in love with the 'action hero' personality of Hanuman. He is also upheld as an ideal of humility and devotion despite being a superstar in his own right.

These qualities are described in the Sanskrit verse, *'Yatra yatra Raghunatha kirtanam tatra tatra krta-mastakanjalim/ vashpavari paripurna lochanam Marutim namata rakshasa-antakam.'* It means, 'Wherever the glory of Rama is sung, there, with his hands clasped over his bowed head and eyes overflowing with tears, is Hanuman; I salute Hanuman who vanquishes demons'.

Hanuman is considered a *nityasuri* or one who is free of karma for eternity. He is also believed to be still on Earth to help us in our struggles through life. This belief has gone so deep that wherever the *Ramayana* is recited or discoursed upon, the organisers quietly place a *palaha* or wooden board on the stage, a seat of honour reserved for Hanuman. He is thought to be in attendance, although no one can tell in which guise. He won't actually sit there unless he comes invisibly, they say, but just in case he does, we shan't be found wanting in respect and affection.

The belief in Hanuman's protective presence is so cherished that you'll find people muttering 'Jai Bajrang Bali' as their flight takes off or before they hit a rapid in the river or drive up a steep road in the hills. Many across the country seem to know the *Hanuman Chalisa* and value its significance as a *kavacham* or protective shield. There are several good versions on YouTube to hear as a daily boost.

Another favourite is the verse, *'Buddhir balam yasho dhairyam nirbhayatvam arogatam/ajadyam vaak patutvam cha Hanumat smaranat bhavet,'* meaning, 'By remembering Hanuman, I gain intelligence, strength, a good reputation, courage, fearlessness and good health. I avoid dullness and I become eloquent'. There's nothing in there about winning lotteries, buying a new car or landing that dream job. Instead, it's all about 'personality development', about wanting to be strong, confident and bright, to achieve *tejas* or a lustrous character. It is clearly meant to inspire the reciter to become a positive person and an asset to society.

However, to appreciate the personality of Hanuman, whose original name was Sundara, the beautiful one, we must first understand the one he reveres: Rama, whom he loved the moment he saw him.

This may be easier said than done. We live in confused times in terms of everyday belief. This is nothing new. I am not a Sanskritist but this line in Verse 60 of Adi Shankara's book *Viveka Chudamani* caught my eye. This eighth century verse says, *'Shabdajaalam mahaaranyam chittabhramanakaaranam.'* The meaning seems so contemporary: 'Scripture, consisting of many words, is a dense forest which bewilders the mind.' The verse goes on to say, 'Hence people should earnestly set about knowing the true nature of reality' (that all things pass, save God).

FILE PICTURE

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Hanuman discovers the spiritual path in a striking way. There is an undiscovered longing in him that lights up when he sees Rama. He does not know who Rama is or what he's all about. He does not know that Rishi Valmiki asked Sage Narada: "I wonder if there is a single person blessed with all the good qualities one can think of."

Sage Narada asks Valmiki to list those qualities and Valmiki comes up with integrity, courage, correct behaviour, gratitude, honesty, dedication to one's principles, concern for all beings, self-control, a tight hold on temper and a lack of jealousy at all times.

"Even the celestials don't possess all these qualities. Is it possible that a single human being has them?" wonders Valmiki wistfully. "My heart aches to know of such a person."

Narada then tells Valmiki about Rama. He adds that Rama is always pleasant in his speech and manners and that all gentle people gravitate towards him like how all rivers run to the sea, that Rama is patient like Mother Earth and generous like Kubera.

Thus Rama radiates a palpable aura of goodness that Hanuman's heart instantly responds to. It is his epiphany or what I call his 'bhidyatey' moment. This is from a verse in the *Srimad Bhagavatam*, 1:2:21, which goes: *'Bhidyateyhrdaya-granthish chidyantey sarva-samshayaah/ kshiyantey chaasya karmaani tasmin drshtaevatmanishvarey.'* It means, 'The knot in the heart is cut away, doubts vanish and struggles cease, when that, the Truth, is seen.' It leaves one pining for a similar experience and for that perhaps we need to evolve into a person like Hanuman.

But Hanuman, too, had to overcome his 'Vanara nature' to refine his character. Two instances come to mind. The first is when he steals into Ravana's palace and sees him asleep on his golden bed with a beautiful, bejewelled woman by his side. Hanuman thinks he has found Sita and runs up and down a pillar in joy, kissing his tail. But then he realises that it could scarcely be Sita and berates himself for his foolishness.

The other instance is after he sets fire to Lanka with his burning tail. Only then does he realise that he has risked Sita's life by doing so. He feels terrible about it. Our *ragas*, be they Carnatic or Hindustani, have an *aitihyam* or story behind them. There is such a story in Hindustani music about the *raga* 'Lanka Dahan Sarang'. Lanka Dahan means 'the burning of Lanka' in Hindi. The *raga* is said to have been composed by Hanuman in a sober, remorseful mood when he reproached himself for not thinking of Sita's safety when setting Lanka ablaze.

So he gradually evolves into the selfless seeker upheld by Sri Krishna in the *Bhagavad Gita* 6:46: *'Tasmad yogi bhavarjuna'*—Be that yogi, Arjuna.

It is indeed hard not to love a hero who helps us on the road to personal growth and encourages us to make bright Deepavali resolutions.

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Kudos, Team India

What a game! Virat stood like a colossus and won the T20 game against Pakistan. A truly incredible performance by Team India!
Leela Ramanath, email

Tata touch needed

This is with reference to Prabhu Chawla's column, *Tata touch missing from Air India* (Oct 23). This column is timely and a wake up call to the new Air India. The group is now focusing more on the customer than the employee. The Air India of JRD Tata and the dream of Ratan Tata will be a dream only if the airline continues functioning like before.
S Swaminathan, Chennai

Solving skill gap

Apropos of *Unemployment, Moonlighting, Quiet Quitting* (Oct 23). The columnist has rightly highlighted that while one set of IT employees perform more than one job owing to the demand for their specialised skills, many other youth are unemployed. Technical knowledge acquisition on par with the industry's requirements is the need of the hour, and universities have a huge role to help students upskill.
S Arjun Prasanna, Bengaluru

Job fair huge bonanza

This is with reference to *PM kicks off job fair, 75k get appt letters* (Oct 23). Appointment letters for 75,000 people as a part of the 'Rozgar Mela' is a huge bonanza for their families! This along with his mission of 1 million jobs in the next 18 months will hold the BJP in good stead ahead of the 2024 general elections.
K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam

Jobs bring hope for youth

At last, with elections in view, the Modi government has decided to launch a job recruitment drive. If the promise of recruiting 10 lakh people before the 2024 elections is fulfilled, that will bring a huge relief to the job aspirants.
Athulya M, Hyderabad

IAF helicopter crash

The Indian Army's helicopter crash that killed five army men once again underscores the alarmingly high crash rate in the Indian Armed Forces. We must create a more robust system of checks and balances, where everything is investigated at its root. Safety demands greater accountability.
P Victor Selvaraj, Palayamkottai

Love gone wrong

Apropos of *23-year-old killed for rejecting love proposal in Kannur* (Oct 23). Shyamjith murdering Vishnupriya after she turned down his proposal is a horrible incident. He endangered both their lives and killed her in a fit of rage. Action must be taken against him.
P Moses, Vijayawada

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Yogi Adityanath @myogiadityanath
In the holy festival of 'New Uttar Pradesh', 'Swadeshi' is urged, there is a message of 'self-reliance', there is a spirit of 'cooperation'.

Arvind Kejriwal @ArvindKejriwal
Why should the public not get free education, free treatment, free medicines, electricity? Politicians also get so many free facilities.

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
Karnataka's poet & writer, Kuvempu described this land as "a garden of peace and harmony". His words have been reaffirmed through Bharat Jodo Yatra.

Law Commission inactive, UCC fate in limbo

With only four months left for its tenure to end, commission is yet to get chairman and its members

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AS the three-year term of the 22nd Law Commission is set to expire in four months, the fate of important legislations such as the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) is hanging in limbo. Significantly, the 22nd Law commission, which was notified by the Ministry of Law and Justice on February 21, 2020, is virtually defunct as it's yet to get a chairperson and members. However, the Union government has maintained that the 22nd Law Commission will look into the framing of UCC.

For the first time since its inception in 1955, the law commission is functioning without a chairperson and members. The tenure of a Law Commission, an advisory body on legal reforms, is for three years. The term of the 21st Law Commission, headed by retired judge B S Chauhan, ended on August 31, 2018. Speaking to this daily, senior SC lawyer and former Law Commission member Kirti Singh said that the Law Commission plays an important role in the justice delivery system by making suggestions to the government about new reforms in law by constitutional promises. Notably, the Commission has a rich history with nearly 50% of the recommendations made by the executive body having been made into laws or acted upon by the government. "It's shameful that we do not have a Law Commission for the first time in its history. It shows the government's low priority in judicial reforms. Law Commissions across the world are very important organisations and they are supposed to tell the authorities how a law is interpreted and what should be reformed," said Singh, who was a member of the 18th Law Commission.

She also points out some of the landmark reports by the previous commissions which have been made into laws. "As a member, my report on Acid attacks was made into a law. There were other significant recommendations such as rape laws, which the government acted upon," she said. Last week, during a Court hearing, the Union government told the Supreme Court that it had requested the 22nd Law Commission to examine various issues relating to the UCC and make recommendations on the same. The Centre also told the SC that 21st Law Commission had uploaded a report titled Reform of Family Law after consultation with various stakeholders. "The subject matter will be placed before the 22nd Law Commission for its consideration when the chairman and members of the Commission are appointed," the Centre said. However, experts wonder how the government will go about it as the new Commission hasn't been constituted yet. The UCC calls for one codified law for all religious communities on matters such as marriage, adoption, inheritance, and divorce.

Speaking to this newspaper, B S Chauhan, who headed the 21st Commission, said that the commission has prepared merely a consultative paper based on consultations with stakeholders and felt that the government shouldn't rush into implementing the UCC as it involves complex legal issues. "Currently, some seven or eight cases on personal laws are pending before the SC. We couldn't give any recommendation on UCC because of that," he said, adding that the commission had invited suggestions from the public through a questionnaire.

Key recommendations of panel

Proposal to Amend the Prohibition of **Child Marriage Act, 2006** and other allied Laws, Proposal to amend **Section 15** of the **Hindu Succession Act, 1956** in case a female dies intestate leaving herself acquired property with no heirs

Proposal for the amendment of explanation to **Section 6** of the **Hindu Succession Act, 1956** to include oral partition and family arrangement on the definition of 'partition'

Proposal for the omission of **Section 213** from the **Indian Succession Act, 1925**, Humanization and Decriminalisation of Attempt to Suicide, Laws on Registration of Marriages and Divorce – A proposal for Consolidation and Reform

Laws of Civil Marriage in India – A proposal to Resolve Certain Conflicts, Non-Feasibility of introduction of Hindi as compulsory language in the Supreme Court of India

Irretrievable Breakdown of Marriage – Another Ground for Divorce, Need to accede to the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child **Abduction (1980)**, Need for Family Law Legislations for Non-resident Indians

States get tough against crackers this year to ensure cleaner Diwali

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

WITH a view to regulate unrestricted sales and bursting of firecrackers which results in a sharp rise of pollutants in the air immediately after Diwali, state governments across the country this year have laid down stringent norms.

On September 14, Delhi Pollution Control Committee directed for complete ban on manufacturing, storage, sale and bursting of all kinds of firecrackers till January 1, 2023 in the national capital. The Punjab government clarified that citizens will be given a window of two hours from 8pm to 10pm to burst firecrackers on Diwali and Haryana State Pollution Control Board (HSPCB) imposed an immediate prohibition on manufacture, sale and use of all kinds of firecrackers, excluding green crackers. The Tamil Nadu government has allowed bursting crackers for an hour but twice on that day. The permitted window lies between 6-7am and between 7-8pm.

Against this ban, various stakeholders knocked the doors of HC's and even SC, but court's this year kept in loop respiratory problems suffered by citizens afterwards and took a stern view by batting for clean air. On Thursday, SC bench of Justices MR Shah and MM Sundresh had turned down BJP MP Manoj Tiwari's request for urgent listing of his petition challenging ban on firecrackers in Delhi and other states. Appalled by the rise in air quality index in the capital, the bench had said that there were other ways to celebrate the festival. "Let people breathe clean air. Spend your money on sweets," court had remarked.

On the same day, even the Delhi HC bench of Justice Yashwant Verma had had turned down a petition challenging Delhi Pollution Control Committee's September 14 direction for complete ban on manufacturing, storage, sale and bursting of all kinds of firecrackers till January 1, 2023 in the national capital. Justice Yashwant Verma while turning down the plea had said that it would not be appropriate for the HC to consider the issue when the same was pending before the top court.

The Calcutta HC while deciding plea pertaining to sale of green firecrackers in West Bengal on October 11, 2022 had directed the Pollution Control Board as well as the police authorities to ensure that there is no importation, sale or bursting of crackers other than the green crackers bearing QR Code in the State of West Bengal.

Even last year, the Supreme Court had banned crackers which were found to be injurious to health.

Covid-19 threat persists as Omicron variants vitiate air

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

THE Indian SARS-CoV-2 Consortium on Genomics (INSACOG) on Sunday said that the Omicron and its sub-lineages continue to be the dominant variant in India.

With 1,994 fresh cases, India's Covid-19 tally climbed to 4,46,42,742, while the number of active cases of the infection declined to 23,432, the Union health ministry said on Sunday. According to the health ministry bulletin, the death count due to the viral disease increased to 5,28,961 with four more fatalities, according to the ministry's data. The active cases account for 0.05 per cent of the total caseload, while the national Covid-19 recovery rate has increased to 98.76 per cent.

"Omicron and its sub-lineages continue to be the dominant variant in India. BA.2 and its descendent lineages, in particular, BA.2.75, has been mostly found over the last week in different parts of India," the bulletin dated September 12 said.

The incidence of BA.5 has decreased in the last few weeks. Any surge in hospitalisation or any disease severity has not been observed during this period, it further said.

The INSACOG, which released its latest bulletin on Sunday, after September 5, however does not mention the four sub-variants — BF.7, BQ.1, XBB and BA.2.3.20 — that have been detected in India, including in Maharashtra, Kerala, and Gujarat, and is leading to a slight rise in Covid cases. These new sub-variants were detected in the last week of September and the first week of October.

The latest bulletin has whole genome sequencing of samples from sentinel sites across the country and international passengers arriving in India till the first September 9.

It said that globally, the INSACOG, a consortium of 54 laboratories to monitor the genomic variations in SARS-CoV-2, functioning jointly under the observation of the health ministry and the department of biotechnology, Omicron is the most abundant variant of concern (VOC) circulating worldwide, accounting for 99.4 per ent of sequences reported globally.

BA.5 Omicron descendent lineages continue to be dominant globally, with an increase in weekly prevalence from 84.8 percent to 86.8 percent, it added. "The prevalence of BA.2 descendent lineages (BA.2.X) remained constant last week. BA.2.75, an Omicron descendent lineage under monitoring, still shows a relatively low prevalence globally. However, a number of countries have observed recent trends," it further said.

Covid decline, rise of Omicron

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The daily positivity rate was recorded at 1.24 per cent and the weekly positivity rate was recorded at 0.99 per cent, according to the health ministry.

The number of people who have recuperated from the disease has gone up to **4,40,90,349,** while the case fatality rate was recorded at 1.18 per cent.

According to the ministry, **219.55 crore** doses of Covid vaccines have so far been administered to the beneficiaries across the country.

POWER GAMES

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Twist in the Tale

MINISTER'S NAME POPS UP IN ARMS DEALER'S PETITION

Fugitive arms dealer Sanjay Bhandari is locked in a court case against French defence firm Thales over a commission he claims was due to him but was not paid by the company. Bhandari's lawsuit, filed in Paris against Thales, has already caused embarrassment to individuals and companies in India and abroad and has the potential to create legal trouble for them. Bhandari claims that Thales paid him only nine million euros instead of the agreed 20 million euros for facilitating the Indian Air Force's 2.4-billion Mirage 2000 upgrade deal in 2011. Bhandari's allegation spells trouble for the French government which owns around a quarter of Thales shares. He has said that Thales has created a complex web of companies to route commissions and payoffs to intermediaries in India and abroad. One such company is said to be owned by a Union minister in the present government. The said minister was reportedly a director in this company till a year before joining the government. Bhandari's allegations are sure to find resonance in Indian political circles in the coming days. The government of India is seeking Bhandari's extradition from the United Kingdom for his alleged "failure to declare his foreign assets under Black Money Act 2015" and "money laundering". The Westminster Magistrates' Court is expected to give a final decision in the extradition case on November 7 this year.

Poll Funding

COPS UNEARTH HAWALA CASH TRAIL IN GUJARAT

Gujarat Police and the income tax department have unearthed an extensive network of hawala traders which, according to them, is being used by a political party for the transfer of funds to meet expenses for the ensuing state elections. Sources said this particular political party was transferring huge amounts of money from Delhi to *aangadias* (hawala operators) in Gujarat who in turn facilitate its distribution across the state to the party's cadres. Police in Gujarat and Delhi have also reportedly identified the source of funds and the main player involved in this operation in Delhi. Hawala operators have already been questioned both in Delhi and Gujarat by the police and the income tax department. According to sources, these operators have given graphic details of how black money was being transferred from Delhi by the said political party and how carriers were used in Gujarat to funnel funds to the party's candidates and office-bearers. Sources said investigations in the case are complete and a full report is being prepared with accounts of witnesses and hawala operators involved. Arrests are likely to be made as soon as cops get the political signal. Keep watching this space to be the first to know the name of the political party involved in this hawala operation.

Heads of Missions Meet

MODI, DOVAL SPELL OUT A BOLD NEW APPROACH

Over a hundred heads of Indian missions from across the world gathered at Kevadia, the site of the giant Sardar Patel statue in the Narmada district of Gujarat, for an annual conference. The entire diplomatic corps from over a hundred countries was housed for three days in luxury tents pitched next to the statue of the Iron Man of India. The mission heads left Kevadia all fired up after listening to the stirring speeches by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and National Security Advisor Ajit Kumar Doval. The PM exhorted the senior foreign service officers to dump old ways and think out of the box to promote national interest. He asked them not to be afraid of anyone as they represented a rapidly growing economy which is one of the largest in the world. He said India's voice is heard the world over and its opinion is valued by all. Doval advised the officers not to stay stuck with old definitions and worldviews. He said times had changed and they should adapt to the changing times. Sessions were held at the conference on China, Russia, Africa, etc where the officers were brought up to speed with the government's line on critical issues.

Armed forces carry out a series of ground, air drills in Eastern Sector

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Indian armed forces have carried out a series of ground and air exercises in the Eastern Sector which included not just ground assault by the forces in high altitude areas but also the joint air insertion of Special Forces. The series of exercises had begun early this month

The Tri Shakti (33 Corps) Corps of the Army took to official twitter handle on Sunday to say, "Validation of Combat Free fall operations by Indian Army Special Forces in narrow valleys of Super High Altitude areas of Sikkim — first time, using C-130 special operations fixed wing platforms."

In another high tempo joint exercise between the Indian Air Force and Indian Army, "a high altitude Combat Free Fall mission was carried out by commandos of Special Forces (Army) and Garuds (Air Force) from IAF C-130J aircraft in the Eastern sector. The Eastern Command of the Indian Air Force termed the exercise as "yet another successful operational milestone achieved by Indian Armed Forces". This was also communicated using the official handle of IAF's Eastern Air Command.

Early this month integrated tactical Exercise Singhee Prahaar at 17,500 feet in North Sikkim was carried out showcasing the prowess of the Indian Army in integrated operations in the Super High Altitude Area. The Sukna, West Bengal based Corps is mandated to defend the 220 km long Line of Actual Control along Sikkim.

An Army statement said, "Latest induction of New Generation Equipment to include Remotely Piloted Vehicles (RPVs), All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs), Quick Reaction Fire Vehicles (QRFVs), Infantry Protected Mobility Vehicles (IPMVs) and many other weapon systems and platforms have added new dimensions to the Indian Army's existing capabilities to fight wars in High Altitude Areas."

Of the 3,488-km-long LAC, 1,346-km comes under the Eastern Sector, with 220-km along Sikkim and 1,126-km along Arunachal Pradesh.

AYUSH MINISTRY

Har Din Har Ghar Ayurveda drive launched

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TO take Ayurveda and its benefits to the masses, the centre launched the campaign 'Har Din Har Ghar Ayurveda', one of the world's oldest holistic healing systems, which is now recognised in 30 countries.

On the 7th Ayurveda Day on Sunday, the Ayush ministry said the campaign was launched to propagate the benefits of Ayurveda throughout the country. To commemorate the day, the ministry held a 6-week-long celebration, which included more than 5000 events. These events were organised by the ministry's various institutes and councils.

On the occasion, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Ministry of Ayush and the Ministry of Tribal Affairs to explore the areas of collaboration, convergence and synergy for tribal development while preserving the tribal cultural heritage through evidence-based planning and capacity-building.

Govt to organise conference to endow democracy lessons to young legislators

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

COME June 2023, the first of its kind 3-day long National Young Legislators' Conference (NYLC) will be organised to provide the biggest open platform for the young legislators of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, state assemblies and councils. The venue of the NYLC would be either in Goa or Pune in June and exact dates are soon to be fixed by the organising committee.

Besides the legislators, the governors, the chief ministers, speakers and their deputy of several states' assembly and council would also be sharing their views on democracy and other given themes during plenary sessions.

Even the elected members from SAARC countries and the organisational heads of youth-wing of all political parties will also be sharing their views on the nine selected themes including "What Young Bharat Aspire" and "Overcoming Linguistic Barriers-Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat".

Sharing details with tbhis newspaper, Rahul V Karad, one of the ten members of this conference's organising committee and executive president of MIT-SOG (India's first school to create Future Political leaders) in Pune, said, "The National Young Legislators' Conference (NYLC) 2023 has been planned basically to create a cohesive ecosystem among leaders from all ideologies for the common cause of development beyond party politics".

Karad further said that the first such biggest national platform will provide an open opportunity to the invited dignitaries, legislators, governors and the CMs included, to deliberate upon the faces and facts responsible for creating a 'culture of clean leadership' for good governance at all levels of democracy.

"Four former speakers namely Shivraj Patil, Manohar Joshi, Meira Kumar and Sumita Mahajan are patrons and in governing council of this upcoming conference. Present Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla has also been requested to grace the occasion as chief guest," he claimed, adding that many other dignitaries from across the fields like Satish Mahana, UP Assembly Speaker, Rajashthan Speaker CP Joshi, West Bengal Speaker Biman Banerjee, Delhi Assembly Speaker Ram Niwas Goel, Jharkhand Speaker Ravindra Nath Mahto, MP Speaker Girish Gautam and many others, are members of its advisory council.

Some former chief election commissioners like Sunil Arora, Sushil Chandra, VS Sampath and Om Prakash Rawat have also been included as members in the 'Research Advisory' of this upcoming conference.

Even legislators from SAARC to participate

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FOR DEVELOPMENT

Rajasthan CM Ashok Gehlot has approved a proposal for formation of three boards for overall development and economic upliftment of different sections, officials said on Sunday

7 BOOKED FOR GRABBING PROPERTIES OF AILING WOMAN IN NAGPUR

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	35	20	Mumbai	35	23
Bhopal	32	17	Panaji	32	24
Jaipur	34	17	Patna	33	20
Amritsar	33	15	Lucknow	33	20
Chennai	31	25	Port Blair	30	26
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Learn from Lord Ram's ideals : PM

At mega Deepotsav in Ayodhya, Modi says govt has tried to restore India's glorious past

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

Prime Minister Narendra Modi worships Lord Ramlala Virajman in Ayodhya on Sunday | PTI

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi was back in Ayodhya after more than two years on Sunday to launch the mega Diwali celebrations – Deepotsav — in the temple town of Ayodhya.

The Prime Minister said Lord Ram's rule was the inspiration behind his government's *sabka saath, sabka vikas* ideal. The PM spent an evening in Ayodhya where lakhs of diyas lit up the banks of the holy Saryu. Beginning his speech with 'Jai Shri Ram', the PM called upon the people to draw lessons from the life and times of Lord Ram to fulfill the vision of a developed India. "We must look up to Lord Ram's life as teaching in itself. Lord Ram is the embodiment of religion and duty, in every role, an obedient son, a friend, a husband and a brother."

Modi was on his first visit to Ayodhya after he laid the foundation stone of the Ram temple at the once-disputed Ram Janmabhoomi site on August 5, 2020. Earlier in the week, Modi offered prayers at the Kedarnath and Badrinath shrines in Uttarakhand.

The PM said questions were raised on the very existence and identity of Lord Ram by adopting an ignorant approach and attitude of neglect towards the symbols associated either with Lord Ram in Ayodhya or Lord Shiva in Kashi.

"However, during the last eight years, we have broken those shackles while trying to restore the glory of those symbols which were a reflection of our identity and a rich cultural heritage," said the PM while addressing a huge gathering at Ram Katha Park in Ayodhya in the presence of Governor Anandiben Patel, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Deputy Chief Ministers Brajesh Pathak and Keshav Prasad Maurya and several other dignitaries.

"The development of our religious places that once remained neglected is strengthening the foundation of our country and is ensuring that India reaches new heights," said the PM Modi.

Ayodhya set a new Guinness World Records for lighting over 15.76 lakh lamps on the banks of the Saryu and parts of the temple town as the PM launched the historic Deepotsav celebrations on Sunday, a day before Diwali. After offering prayers to Ram Lalla at the makeshift temple here, the PM reviewed the progress of the construction work. He also performed a symbolic coronation of Lord Ram and Goddess Sita at the Ram Katha Park.

"In the Amritkal of the country's independence, the willpower of Lord Ram will take the country to newer heights. Lord Ram's life is the guide to achieve India's aspirations for the next 25 years even in difficult times," said the PM.

"His sense of duty is the only way that explains the concept of Ramrajya (utopian state)," said the PM.

Techie's rape: SIT arrests 7, including 2 minors in J'khand

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

THE Special Investigation Team (SIT) on Sunday arrested seven suspects, including two minors, for allegedly raping a 26-year-old software engineer at Chaibasa in West Singhbhum district.

The engineer was allegedly gangraped by around 10 men near the old aerodrome on Thursday evening when she was out with a male friend on a two-wheeler.

The accused also thrashed the woman's friend and allegedly raped her after taking her to a secluded place. They also took away her belongings, including phone, said the police.

The woman somehow managed to reach home, and told her family about the incident.

According to police, the woman works for a Bangalore-based IT company and was here as she was working from home. After registering an FIR at Muffassil police station, SP Ashutosh Shekhar formed an SIT, which rounded up some of the suspects from the neighbouring villages and interrogated them.

"People, who had been coming to the aerodrome regularly were identified and interrogated, during which, it was found that activities of some of the people were found suspicious after the incident. Coming into action immediately, the SIT conducted raids on Saturday and detained seven people, including two minors, who later admitted to their crime," said Chaibasa SP.

On the basis of the statement by one of the accused, Shivshankar Karji, the victim's purse, her aadhaar card, driving license, ATM card, ₹4,500 cash among other items, were recovered from his house, he added. A hunt is still on to arrest other accused involved in the case, he said. Those who have been arrested include Suren Deogam alias Bagun (20), Purmi Deogam Alias Shetti (19), Prakash Deogam alias Dembro (21), Soma Sinku aliasPetra (19) and Shivshankar Karji alias 'Baaz' (22) along with two other minors.

JAIPUR DIARY

RAJESH ASNANI

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BJP loves Sachin, Congress backs Raje!

Rajasthan is seeing strange political developments these days. Many BJP leaders are not only soft towards Sachin Pilot but also keep praising him regularly ever since he led a revolt against CM Ashok Gehlot. Two years ago, when Pilot created a crisis for the Gehlot government, there were charges that the BJP had helped Pilot. In turn, most Congress leaders now raise questions about why Raje is being ignored in the BJP. These leaders include not only CM Gehlot but also state Congress president Govind Dotasara who said that "injustice is being done to Raje and though she is the natural face to be the Chief Ministerial face. Central BJP leaders don't know how to handle this situation."

Ambani gives a special gift to Rajasthan

Reliance Jio Chairman Akash Ambani launched Jio's 5G mobile service in Rajasthan on Saturday by pressing a button in Nathdwara, the holy city which has been a favourite pilgrim centre for Ambanis. Shrinathji is the family deity of the Ambani family. At the special ceremony, Akash wished everyone a Happy Diwali and said that "along with Jio Tour 5G, services of 5G fiber Wi-Fi are also being started in Nathdwara." With this the small town of Nathdwara will have the same 5G service that is currently limited to only big cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Varanasi and Kolkata.

Gehlot takes care of Covid orphans

Some children were seen singing and dancing at the Chief Minister's residence in Jaipur recently. Playing games and posing for selfies with CM Ashok Gehlot, all these children were those who had lost their parents and families due to the Covid epidemic. CM Gehlot organized special Diwali celebrations at his residence to bring a smile on their faces. The CM took feedback from the children about the relief package given by his government and after knowing their problems, he directed officials to solve the issue on priority. CM Gehlot also had lunch with the kids and wished them good luck for their future life.

J&K officials told to visit remote villages

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

AFTER the first three phases of innovative public outreach programme, the Jammu and Kashmir government is all set to launch a five-day phase-IV Back-to-Village (B2V4) programme from October 27 to October 31 to bridge the gap between the administration and the people, and bring governance at the doorstep of people in villages, including remote areas across the Union Territory. The B2V4 is preceded by 10-day Jan Abhiyan, which started on October 15 and will end on October 26. As part of the Abhiyan, the departments have been given deliverable targets, which directly impacts the public.

During the five-day B2V4 from October 27-31, about 4,500 officers will travel to villages and spend at least two days and a night in every Panchayat to listen to issues confronting the public and discuss solutions.

Principal Secretary Information Rohit Kansal told this newspaper that B2V4 will be far more action-oriented. "It has been designed as an action programme to deliver tangible and measurable progress at the ground level."

In Phase III, he said, the target was set to provide self employment to 2 persons in every panchayat in J&K. "This year, the target has been increased from two to 15." According to Kansal, the B2Vs and Jan Abhiyan have ensured that voices of people are heard. The top government officials usually don't go to the villages but under B2V, it has been mandatory for them to go to the villages and stay there for two days to listen to the public grievances.

According to an official, the focus areas of B2V4 shall be youth, skills and self employment, good governance and Panchayati Raj, Nasha Mukt, Rozgar Yukt J&K.

He said over 2 lakh certificates and documents of various kinds would be issued.

No salaries yet for Pandit employees

For the 5,500 PM package Kashmiri Pandit employees, who have not resumed their duties in Valley since killing of Pandit employee by militants on May 12 this year, Diwali will be a low key affair without any celebration as their salaries have been withheld by the administration. Ranjan Jotshi vice president All Migrant Displaced Employees Association Kashmir said that authorities did not release their withheld salaries.

ILLEGAL INFLUX

Demand for ILP grows in Meghalaya

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

AN influential organisation in Meghalaya is stepping up the demand for the implementation of Inner Line Permit (ILP) in the state after claiming that there has been a steady influx of illegal migrants into the state.

Unhappy that the Centre is maintaining a stony silence on the demand, the Khasi Students' Union (KSU) set up an "ILP check gate" on the Meghalaya-Assam boundary. However, it was dismantled by the Meghalaya police on Saturday.

The KSU argued that the check gate was needed to be able to thwart illegal migration and keep an eye on illegal activities on the interstate border.

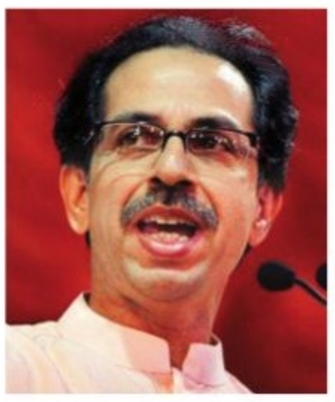
"The situation is alarming and we want it to be addressed urgently," KSU president Lambokstar Marngar said.

He warned that the students' organisation would be compelled to deal with the issue itself if the government failed to address it early.

It is for the fear of illegal migration of people that the KSU has not allowed a railway project to come up in the state. It insists that the government must put in place a mechanism, such as the ILP, first to tackle the problem before expanding the railway.

22 Shinde MLAs are planning to join BJP, claims Sena mouthpiece

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai



THE Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena has sought to set the cat among the pigeons on Sunday by claiming that 22 MLAs belonging to the rival Shinde-led camp are likely to join the BJP and that Shinde himself would be replaced by a BJP leader as the new chief minister of Maharashtra.

The claim appeared in the Shiv Sena mouthpiece Saamana on Sunday. "The 22 MLAs of the Shinde factions will form a group that will merge with BJP. The Shinde-BJP government is a temporary arrangement. Shinde will be asked to step down anytime and a BJP leader will be sworn in as the CM," says the article.

It also claimed citing "top BJP leaders" that Shinde would become like Union minister and RPI leader Ramdas Athawale. "Shinde will not have any option except to merge his remaining group with BJP as well to become "another Narayan Rane" for the BJP.

"Shinde has no influence in Delhi. It is Deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis who gets the credit for any work. The differences between CM Shinde and his deputy are growing. Recently, there were clashes over the top cop posting," claimed Saamana. It said Fadnavis, who is also the home minister, did not follow the advice of Shinde while transferring an IPS officer. "An annoyed Shinde left Mumbai and went to his hometown in Satara," *Saamana* said.

The Sena mouthpiece also commented on Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari in the same article. "The Governor was very prompt, super, and pro-active during the Uddhav Thackeray government. Where is he now, why is he not giving advice to the Shinde-Fadnavis government?" The Uddhav-led Sena has been aggressively targeting the Shinde-BJP alliance especially after the BJP had to withdraw from the contest for the Andheri-East constituency. The BJP's decision has ensured a smooth victory for Rutuja Latke, the Sena candidate of the Uddhav faction. The Shinde faction had already expressed support for the BJP, so in the party's withdrawal, the Shinde faction too is thought to have been a part of the decision-making.

The polls for the richest civic body the BMC are due soon. All major Maharashtra parties are poised to enter the fray in the hope of taking a shot at the top position. That could explain why the Uddhav faction is going hammer and tongs against the ruling alliance in a bid to project itself as the standalone claimant to the BMC.

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'Largest diya' lights up Punjab's Mohali

HARPREET BAJWA @ Mohali

The diya qualifies as the largest diya ever lit and was made using 3,560 litres of cooking oil, according to the Guinness World Records| EXPRESS

THE world's largest diya was lit in Mohali on Saturday. It weighed 1,000 kg and had a diameter of 3.37 metres. At least 3,129 litres of organic and diya oil were poured into it which was contributed by around 10,000 people.

In order to register the achievement, official Guinness World Records adjudicators were present at the society of Hero Homes in Mohali when an enormous stainless-steel diya was lit. The diya qualifies as the largest lamp ever lit and was made using 3,560 litres of cooking oil, according to the Guinness World Records.

Ashish Kaul, CMO Hero Realty, said that as per the Guinness Book of Records, this diya has been lit with 3,000 litres of cooking oil and qualifies as the world's largest oil lamp ever lit. "The oil in the diya, collected from various individuals irrespective of regions, languages, religions and other cultural creeds, represents the unity of Indians," he said.

Kaul further said, "I thought we must have the biggest symbol of peace in the world from the land of Punjab, from this country for the whole world to know that if at all there is something which we need first and foremost, it is peace, which makes everything else meaningful."

Former GOC Western Command, Lt Gen KJ Singh (Retd) said, "This is an unconventional event combining the dual intent of celebrating Diwali as per tradition and one that also manages to spread an important social message. It is notable that Punjab, which has in the past seen strife, is now the location of the biggest icon of peace. If you look at diya, it is a medium to spread light, awareness, knowledge and knowledge related to peace."

District-level rejig on cards for Bengal BJP ahead of rural polls

PRANAB MANDAL @ Kolkata

THE BJP is planning a massive district-level organisational rejig in West Bengal following reports that many district-level party leaders have become 'inactive'.

The national leaders, incharges of Bengal, are also in favour of axing those who are in the hierarchy because of their good relation with their mentors in the party.

The rejig is expected to trigger discontent within the party ahead of the panchayat polls slated to be held next year. Many district presidents, who fear removal from the hierarchy, expressed their discontent against the state leadership accusing them of not visiting the districts since their elevation in the party.

Sources in the saffron camp said the state BJP leaders already started the process of searching for new faces to replace the existing hierarchy in districts. "The process of preparing a draft mentioning the names of possible district presidents is going on. It has also triggered differences of opinion within the party. Many influential leaders are recommending the names of their own followers," said a BJP leader in Kolkata.

The leader said the restructuring in district-level hierarchy is aimed at the next year's rural polls. "Dissents and allegations surfaced within the party on several occasions in the recent past, especially since the induction of new state president Sukanta Majumdar last year and rejig of the state committee. We need to address the issues before the rural polls," said the officer.

During the course of the new pick, the leadership is in search of those who have a transparent image in districts and for this, the party is taking feedback from grassroot levels about the recommended or proposed names, said sources.

An aggrieved district president in south Bengal, who fears to be axed in the restructuring, said, "Majumdar was appointed as the state president in September last year and new presidents like us were inducted after three months. But we have been branded as inactive leaders within one year when we did not get enough opportunity to prove ourselves competent."

Move may spark discontent

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Britain's former Chancellor of the Exchequer Rishi Sunak leaves his campaign office in London on Sunday | AFP

Sunak declares fresh UK PM bid

Holds secret talks with former boss Boris Johnson amid calls for unity within Tory party

LONDON

BRITISH Conservative Rishi Sunak on Sunday announced he is standing to be prime minister, just weeks after failing in a first attempt — and setting up a potentially bruising battle with his former boss Boris Johnson.

Ex-finance minister Sunak vowed "integrity, professionalism and accountability" and to lead Britain out of "profound economic crisis", which experts say has been worsened by the aborted policies of outgoing leader Liz Truss.

"I want to fix our economy, unite our party and deliver for our country," he said in a short statement posted on Twitter confirming his widely expected candidacy.

The no-frills announcement contrasted with his last failed bid to be Tory leader, when he faced criticism for a slickly produced video launched just days after he had helped depose ex-prime minister Johnson by resigning in July. Amid growing calls for unity within the fractured ruling party, he and Sunak held talks late into the night, reports said Sunday, as the feuding political heavyweights battle behind the scenes.

Few details have emerged about what *The Sun* dubbed a "secret summit". The Sunday Times said it lasted several hours "in the hope of burying the hatchet and thrashing out a deal to govern together".

However, Sunak's subsequent declaration suggests he is confident he can vanquish Johnson.

The ex-leader also reportedly spoke on Sunday to Mordaunt, who is said to have rebuffed his calls to back him, noting her supporters were likely to split more for Sunak.

Johnson is anticipated to enter the likely week-long contest, after he cut short a Caribbean holiday to return to Britain Saturday and attempt an audacious political comeback less than two months after leaving office.

The 58-year-old is said to be intensely lobbying Conservative colleagues ahead of a Monday afternoon deadline to secure the 100 nominations required to face a vote of the Tories' 357 MPs.

Sunak has raced ahead in that count, crossing the minimum threshold Friday and currently boasting the public backing of 146 Tory lawmakers, according to a BBC tally.

That compares to Johnson's 57 and 23 for Mordaunt.

Johnson's attempt at political resurrection has already been decried by opposition politicians, and even some in his own party.

"This isn't the time for Boris," Northern Ireland minister Steve Baker told *Sky News*, arguing another Johnson-led government "would be a guaranteed disaster". *Agencies*

Braverman backs Sunak

Recently-resigned Home Secretary Indian-origin Suella Braverman with significant support on the extreme right of Tory party said Johnson was no longer the best choice for the party or the country

For Xi, loyalty matters more than meritocracy

BEIJING

PRESIDENT Xi Jinping, China's most powerful leader in decades, increased his dominance on Sunday when he was named to another term as head of the ruling Communist Party in a break with tradition and promoted allies who support his vision of tighter control over society and the struggling economy.

"Power will be even more concentrated in the hands of Xi Jinping," said Jean-Pierre Cabestan, a Chinese politics expert at Hong Kong Baptist University. The new appointees are "all loyal to Xi," he said. "There is no counterweight or checks and balances in the system at all."

Xi stacked the seven-member Politburo Standing Committee — the party's apex of power — with four allies, including two of his former secretaries, in a move that flaunts his power and rewards loyalty above all, analysts said.

The lineup appeared to reflect what some commentators called "Maximum Xi," valuing loyalty over ability. Some new leaders lack national-level experience as vice premier or Cabinet minister that typically is seen as a requirement for the post. Li Qiang's promotion served as apparent confirmation, as it puts him in line to be premier with no background in national government.

Li is seen as close to Xi after they worked together in Zhejiang province in the southeast in the early 2000s.

"It is all Xi's people, signalling he wants to rule even beyond a third term," said Alfed Wu Muluan, a Chinese politics expert at the National University of Singapore.

"If proof were needed that loyalty trumps meritocracy in Xi's China, Li Qiang's elevation provides it," said Richard McGregor, senior fellow at the Lowy Institute in Sydney.

"Li might be quite capable, and may make a good premier, but it is hard to see how he got there other than through Xi's personal favour."

The party elite agreed in the 1990s to limit the general secretary to two five-year terms in hopes of avoiding a repeat of power struggles in previous decades. That leader also becomes chairman of the military commission and takes the ceremonial title of president.

Xi has led an anti-corruption crackdown that snared thousands of officials, including a retired Standing Committee member and deputy Cabinet ministers.

That broke up party factions and weakened potential challengers. Xi is on track to become the first leader in a generation to pick his own successor but has yet to indicate possible candidates. Hu Jintao and his predecessor, Jiang Zemin, both were picked in the 1980s by then-supreme leader Deng Xiaoping.

Ahead of the congress, banners criticising Xi and "zero Covid" were hung above a major Beijing thoroughfare in a rare protest. Photos of the event were deleted from social media. The popular WeChat messaging app shut down accounts that forwarded them.

Xi's government also faces criticism over mass detentions and other abuses against Muslim ethnic groups.

A steady climb to supremacy

Chinese President Xi Jinping, the son of a communist revolutionary leader, was a victim of the Cultural Revolution and a provincial chief who promoted economic growth before ascending to the top a decade ago. A quick look

JUNE 15, 1953
Born in Beijing, the son of Xi Zhongxun, a senior Communist Party official and former guerrilla commander in the civil war that brought the communists to power in 1949

1969-75
At the age of 15, Xi is among many educated urban youths sent to live and work in poor rural villages during the Cultural Revolution

1979
Joins military as aide in Central Military Commission and Defence Ministry

1982
Assigned as deputy and then leader of the Communist Party in Zhengding county

1985
Appointed vice mayor of the city of Xiamen

2000
Governor of Fujian province

2002
Appointed Communist Party chief of Zhejiang province

MARCH 2007
Appointed party chief of Shanghai

OCTOBER 2007
Joins national leadership as one of nine members of the Politburo Standing Committee

MARCH 2008
Named as vice president of China

NOVEMBER 2012
Replaces Chinese President Hu Jintao as general secretary of the Communist Party, the top party position

MARCH 2013
Starts first five-year term as president of China

OCTOBER 2017
The party enshrines his ideology, known as "Xi Jinping Thought," in its constitution as he starts a second five-year term as leader

MARCH 2018
China's legislature abolishes a two-term limit on the presidency, signaling Xi's desire to stay in power for more than 10 years

OCTOBER 2022
Xi starts a third five-year term as Communist Party leader, breaking with recent precedent that limited leaders to two terms

Rushdie will live, but has lost sight in one eye, use of one hand, says agent

NEW YORK

SALMAN Rushdie's agent says the author has lost sight in one eye and the use of a hand as he recovers from an attack from a man who rushed the stage at an August literary event in western New York, according to a published report.

Literary agent Andrew Wylie told the Spanish language newspaper *El Pais* in an article published on Saturday that Rushdie suffered three serious wounds to his neck and 15 more wounds to his chest and torso in the attack that took away sight in an eye and left a hand incapacitated.

Rushdie, 75, spent years in hiding after Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini issued a 1989 edict, a fatwa, calling for his death after publication of his novel 'The Satanic Verses,'

File photo of Salman Rushdie

which some Muslims consider blasphemous. Over the past two decades, Salman Rushdie has traveled freely.

After the attack, Rushdie was treated at a Pennsylvania hospital, where he was briefly put on a ventilator to recover from what Wylie told *El Pais* was a 'brutal attack' that cut nerves to one arm.

Wylie told the newspaper he could not say whether Rushdie remained in a hospital or discuss his whereabouts. "He's going to live ... That's the important thing," Wylie said.

The attack was along the lines of what Rushie and his agent have thought was the "principal danger ... a random person coming out of nowhere and attacking," Wylie said.

"So you can't protect against it because it's totally unexpected and illogical," he said.

Wylie told the newspaper it was like Beatles member John Lennon's murder. Lennon was shot to death by Mark David Chapman outside his Manhattan apartment building December 8, 1980, hours after the singer had signed an autograph for Chapman.

In a jailhouse interview with *The New York Post*, Hadi Matar said he disliked Rushdie and praised Khomeini. *AP*

Giorgina Meloni takes over as Italy's prime minister

ROME

FAR-right leader Giorgia Meloni took office on Sunday as Italy's first woman prime minister, calling on the fractious members of her coalition government to unite as they face looming crises on several fronts. "We must be united, there are emergencies the country is facing. We have to work together," the 45-year-old told her ministers during their first meeting, lasting half an hour.

The new government is the most far-right in Italy since World War II, and takes power at a time of soaring inflation and an energy crisis linked to Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February.

It has already been rocked by tensions within Meloni's coalition, which includes Matteo Salvini's far-right League party and former premier Silvio Berlusconi's right-wing Forza Italia.

A residential building is seen damaged following night shelling in Mykolaiv, Ukraine on Sunday. The picture was posted by the mayor of Mykolaiv | AP

LEAVE IMMEDIATELY, RUSSIANS IN KHERSON TOLD

KYIV

PRO-RUSSIAN authorities on Saturday urged residents in the southern Kherson region, which Moscow claims to have annexed, to leave the main city "immediately" in the face of Kyiv's advancing counter-offensive.

The call came as President Volodymyr Zelensky said Russia had launched 36 rockets overnight in a "massive attack" on Ukraine, following reported strikes on energy infrastructure that resulted in power outages across the country.

And Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida became the latest world leader to reproach Moscow for its talk of using nuclear weapons. Kyiv's forces have been advancing along the west bank of the Dnipro river, towards the Kherson region's eponymous main city. Kherson was the first major city to fall to Moscow's troops, and retaking it would be a major prize in Ukraine's counter-offensive.

In recent days, Russia has been moving residents in the region -- which Moscow claims to have annexed in September -- east to Russia, in efforts Kyiv has denounced as "deportations". "Due to the tense situation on the front, the increased danger of mass shelling of the city and the threat of terrorist attacks, all civilians must immediately leave the city and cross to the left bank" of the Dnipro river, the region's pro-Russian authorities announced on social media. A Moscow-installed official in Kherson, Kirill Stremousov, told Russian news agency Interfax on Saturday that around 25,000 people had made the crossing.

Sergiy Khlan, the Ukrainian deputy head of the Kherson region, said Russians were removing property and documents from banks and the passport office as they withdrew.

Ukraine's general staff said Moscow's forces had abandoned two more settlements in Kherson and were evacuating medical personnel from a third, accusing them of looting local civilians. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

Local vax to lead booster vaccination

Indonesia's Ministry of Health expects that the locally manufactured Covid-19 vaccine will lead the booster dose vaccination in the country. "We expect that domestic vaccine will spearhead booster vaccination so that we will become self-resilient and will not be dependent on other countries," Deputy Minister of Health Dante Saksono Harbuwono said. He further said that the domestically produced Covid vaccines allows citizens to have easy access to booster dose in order to boost their body's immunity. He advised people to strictly follow the health protocols to prevent the spread of virus. "If the chain is broken, it will stop the infection. This is done by implementing the health protocol," he explained

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IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE (CCH-12) AT BANGALORE
O.S. No.4895/2018

BETWEEN 1. Mrs. Rekha Kiran @ Rekha Hangal W/o Mr. B.N. Kiran Aged about 49 years.
2. Master. Ballu Kiran Tanay, S/o Mr. B.N. Kiran Both are R/at No. 108, Garden Estate, Jakkur Plantation, Allalasandra, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560 064.
Petitioners
AND 1.Mrs. Kusuma Neelakanthan. And another
Defendants

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT NO.2

To, Mr. B.N. Kiran S/o Late Mr. Neelakanthan, Aged about 48 years, R/at No.48, T-Block, Bhavani HBC Society, Katriguppe, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Ward No.56, Bengaluru-560 085.

Whereas, the above named plaintiffs has filed the above suit for injunction against the defendant s restraining them from interfering the peaceful possession of suit schedule property. The above case is posted on **09.11.2022** for your appearance. Hence you are hereby directed to appear before this Hon'ble Court on the said date at 11 am either in person or through counsel duly instructed Failing which the above case will be heard and determined in your absence placing you ex-parte

SCHEDULE

ITEM NO.I: All that piece and parcel of plantation Land bearing Survey No.206, measuring an extent of 2 Acres and 10 Guntas, situated at Ballu Village, Belagodu Hobli Sakleshpura Taluk, Hassan District and bounded on: **East by :** Coffee land bearing Sy. No, 144, **West by** : Remaining portion of Plantation Bearing Sy. No 26 **North by** : Coffee land bearing Sy. No. 144 & 175 Yedihalli Village **South by** : Old B.M. Road

ITEM NO.II: All that piece and parcel of plantation Land bearing Survey No.205, measuring an extent of 1 Acres, situated at Ballu Village, Belagodu Hobli, Sakleshpura Taluk, Hassan District and bounded on: **East by** : Coffee land belongs to Devaraj. **West by:** Land bearing Sy. No.205, **North by** : Own Land, **South by** : Old B.M. Road.

ITEM NO:III: All that piece and parcel of Plantation Land bearing Survey No.178, measuring an extent of 28 Guntas, and situated at Ballu Village, Belagodu Hobli, Sakleshpura Taluk, Hassan District and bounded on: **East by** : Coffee land belongs to Devaraj **West by** : Land bearing Sy.No.205 **North by** : Own Land **South by** : Old B.M. Road

ITEM NO:1V: All that piece and parcel of Plantation Land bearing Survey No.204/3, measuring an extent of 1 Acre 15 Guntas, and situated at Ballu Village, Belagodu Hobli, Sakleshpura Taluk, Hassan District and bounded on: **East by** : Coffee land belongs to Devaraj **West by** : Coffee land belongs to B.Kalyan **North by** : Own Land **South by** : Old B.M. Road

ITEM NO:V: All that piece and parcel of Plantation Land bearing Survey No.177, measuring an extent of 1 Acre 20 Guntas, and situated at Yedehalli Village, Belagodu Hobli, Sakleshpura Taluk, Hassan District and bounded on:**East by** : Own Land **West by** : Coffee Land bearing Sy.No.177. **North by** : Own Land **South by** : Old B.M. Road **ITEM NO:VI** : All that piece and parcel of Plantation Land bearing Survey No.176, measuring an extent of 25 Guntas, and situated at Yedehalli Village, Belagodu Hobli, Sakleshpura Taluk, Hassan District and bounded on: **East by** : Coffee land belongs to Devaraj **West by** : Coffee Land bearing Sy.No.176. **North by** : Coffee land belongs to **South by** : Old B.M. Road **ITEM NO VII** : All that piece and parcel of Two Bedroom Apartment bearing Flat No.108, located on the First Floor in the Apartment Building known as DAFFODILS III Block constructed in the property bearing BBMP Khata No.208/4/8 (Site NO.178), situated at Jakkur Plantation, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, together with super built-up area of 855 Square Feet (with a proportionate share of common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas of common use). TOGETHER WITH undivided share in the land to the extent of 436 Square Feet and bounded on:
East by : Remaining portion of Sy No.4/8 Belong to Vinay Goel **West by :** Private property belongs to Pankaj Goel **North by :** 60 Feet Road
South by : Remaining Portion of Sy No.8
ITEM NO:VIII : All that piece and parcel of Site NO.48, BBMP PID NO.56-239-48, Situated at T Block, Banashankari III Stage, formed I Survey No.17 and Survey NOS. 125, 126/1, 126/2, 132 & 133 of Kathriguppe Village, Bangalore, Layout formed by Bhavani Housing Co-Operative Society, measuring East to West: 50 Feet and North to South: 30 Feet, comprising a residential building consisting Basement, Ground, First and Second Floors and bounded on: **East by :** Road **West by :** BDA Layout **North by :** Site NO.47 **South by :** Site No.49

Giving under my hand and seal of this Court on this 19th day October 2022.

By order of the Court
Sd/- Assistant Registrar
City Civil Court Bangalore

Mayadevi Advocate for Plaintiff
107, Palm Court Jakkur Plantation Road Bangalore-560064.

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APPENDIX-IV [rule 8 (1)]
POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable property)

WHEREAS The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the IndusInd Bank Ltd under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) (SARFAESI Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 09.06.2022 thereby calling upon the Borrower **M/s. Inch Furnitures and Guarantors Mr. G. Balaji, Mr. Vinodh Gurusamy, Mr. Krishnappa Gopal, Mrs. Bhavana Balaji, Mrs. R. Sankari** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.3,23,64,170.31/-(Rupees Three Crores Twenty Three Lakhs Sixty Four Thousand One Hundred Seventy and Paise Thirty One only)** together with further interest at documented rate from **01.06.2022** to the date of payment and other costs within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The said Demand Notices were published in **New Indian Express, Vishwavani on 27.07.2022** for the Borrower and Co Borrowers/Guarantors.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 9 of the said Rules on this **20-10-2022.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of IndusInd Bank Ltd., for an amount of **Rs.3,23,64,170.31/-(Rupees Three Crores Twenty Three Lakhs Sixty Four Thousand One Hundred Seventy and Paise Thirty One only)**together with further interest at documented rate from 01.06.2022 to the date of payment and other costs.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Property of Mr. K. Gopal S/o. Mr. Krishnaiah(Absolute Sale Deed Document No: 2109 of 2001-02, dated 20-08-2001) Property No.1 : All the piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. G-1, Present Municipal No.62/19/G-1, P.I.D. No. 36-78-19/G-1, Ground Floor with super built up area of 1600 Square Feet and one car parking space in the basement and 500 square feet of undivided share in the property bearing site No.62, Present municipal No.62/19, situated at 2nd main road, the national housing co-operative society layout, KempapuraAgrahara Village, now Prasanth Nagar, ward no.36, Bangalore, measuring East to West (80 + 81.03)/2 feet and North to South 50 feet, measuring all 374.294 square meters and **bounded on the :** East by: 40 feet wide road, West by: Site Nos.67 & 68, North by: Site No.61, South by: Site No.63.

Property No.2 : All the piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. F-1, Present Municipal No.62/19-2/F-1, P.I.D. No. 36-78-19-2/F-1, First Floor with super built up area of 1600 Square Feet and one car parking space in the basement and 500 square feet of undivided share in the property bearing site No.62, Present municipal No.62/19, situated at 2nd main road, the national housing co-operative society layout, KempapuraAgrahara Village, now Prasanth Nagar, ward no.36, Bangalore, measuring East to West (80 + 81.03)/ 2 feet and North to South 50 feet, measuring all 374.294 square meters and bounded on the East by: 40 feet wide road, West by: Site Nos.67 & 68, North by: Site No.61, South by: Site No.63.

Date : 20-10-2022 **Authorised Officer,**
Place: Bangalore **Indusind Bank Ltd.**

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act.) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (the said Rules). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the said Rules, the **Authorised Officer of IIFL Home Finance Ltd. (IIFL HFL) (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.)** has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s), to repay the amount mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the Borrower(s) to pay within **60 days** from the publication of this notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest from the date(s) of Demand Notice till the date of payment. The detail of the Borrower(s), amount due as on date of Demand Notice and security offered towards repayment of loan amount are as under:

Name of the Borrower(s) /Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
Mr. Arunkumar Mr. Savitha H Prospect No 956292	**12 - Oct - 2022 Rs. 22,06,160.00/-** (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty Only)	All that piece and parcel of the property being : Northern Portion of Site No 7, land area 600 sq. ft., Village Assessment No 36, Khatha No 46, situated at Mallasandra Village, Yashwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Tq, Karnataka, India-560022. Bounded by, East: Road , West: 15 no site, North: 6 No Site, South: 7 No Site's Leftover Land.
Mr. Rama Chandra Prasad Kalavala, Mrs. Padma Priya Kalavala (Prospect No IL10191901)	**15-Oct-2022 Rs.39,91,763/-** (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakh Ninety One Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Three Only)	All that piece and parcel of the property being : Parksquare/B3/3D/907, Floor No. 9, B3-3D, Provident Park Square Phase 4, sy no 3/3,7,8,9/2a,9/2b&26/1(P) , Mallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore south, Karnataka-560062

If the said Borrowers fail to make payment to IIFL HFL as aforesaid, IIFL HFL may proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the said Act, and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks, costs and consequences of the Borrowers. For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office : "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, RichmondRoad, Bengaluru-560025. / or Corporate Office: IIFL Tower,/ Corporate Office: IIFL Tower,** Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place:Bangalore , Date : 24-10-2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act.) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (the said Rules). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the said Rules, the **Authorised Officer of IIFL Home Finance Ltd. (IIFL HFL) (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.)** has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s), to repay the amount mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the Borrower(s) to pay within **60 days** from the publication of this notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest from the date(s) of Demand Notice till the date of payment. The detail of the Borrower(s), amount due as on date of Demand Notice and security offered towards repayment of loan amount are as under:

Name of the Borrower(s) /Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
Mr. Nagabhushan G , Mrs.Manjulla H G (Prospect No 908834, 929894 & 951994)	15-Oct-2022 & Rs.21,39,398/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Thirty NineThousand Three Hundred Ninety Eight Only) for 908834, Rs.3,27,684/- (Rupees Three Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Four Only) for 929894 & Rs.2,08,199/- (Two Lakh Eight Thousand One Hundred Ninety Nine Only) for 951994	All that piece and parcel of the property being : V P Khatha No.15030, Property No.37/6, Admeasuring Land Area 2480.00 Sq. Ft., 843 Sq.Ft. Carpet area, 992Sq. Ft. Built up Area, Thimmappananahalli Village, Doddaaralagere Panchayath, Sulikere Hobli,Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore, 562129, Karnataka,India. Bounded By-East - Krishnegowdas property, West - Temple, North - Road, South - Road.

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Place:Bangalore Rural , Date : 24-10-2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

₹6,000 cr worth Indian equities have been sold by foreign investors so far this month in the wake of strength in the US dollar

Know the tax implications of moonlighting

Even if your side-gig, irrespective of its nature, escapes the attention of the regular employer, it will not escape the attention of the tax department

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

MOONLIGHTING, a secret second job while employed regularly elsewhere, has its consequences, not just in the form of losing your regular job when caught by the employer but also in terms of taxation.

Even if your employer does not get a wind of your side-gig, the tax officials would come to know about it. So, the moonlighters also have to pay taxes for the earnings made from the second job, freelance assignment or a consultancy – whatever the nature of the side-gig is.

Tax department knows

When you sign up for a freelance assignment or a consultancy service, your client would invariably deduct TDS from the payment made to you or even claim input tax credit (under GST) for the services availed from you. A TDS or an ITC claim means the tax department has recorded the transaction between you and the client, unless the transaction is all cash.

Once your client has deducted TDS, the same gets reflected in Form 26AS, which has the summary of all the income on which TDS is deducted.

"In case of freelancing income (if in the nature of professional income), TDS provision will apply if the aggregate total amount exceeds ₹30,000 in a year," says Sandeep Sehgal, Partner-Tax, AKM Global, a tax and consulting firm.

TAX TALES

According to Saurrav Sood, Practice Leader (International Tax) SW India, there are no ways by which the moonlighter can avoid the withholding tax and thus the subsequent reporting.

"Where the payments are beyond the threshold limit of withholding tax, the provisions will kick in and taxes shall be withheld, which will eventually get reported in Form 26AS along with Form 16A," he added.

Form 16 is issued by the employers in case of salary income, and it is a TDS certificate comprising income earned from salary and TDS deducted thereon.

However, your employer may not know about your freelance or side-gigs unless they have access to your form 26AS.

"Ordinarily, your employer wouldn't have access to your income tax portal," says Sandeep Sehgal, Partner-Tax, AKM Global.

So, unless the employer asks the employee to submit a copy of the Form 26AS, it is very unlikely that they will get to know about such activities.

How will you be taxed?

Now that you know that your side-gig, even if it escapes the attention of your regular employer, it will not escape the attention of the tax department, the question is how these earnings will be taxed.

You have to disclose the income under two heads in the income tax returns - - first under the head 'salaries' and next under the head 'profits and gains of business or profession'

"It is important to note that while under the head salaries the gross income (after few pre-defined deductions) is liable to income tax, but professional income under freelancing is only taxable to the extent of the profits, which remain after deducting all the expenditure incurred for rendering the services," says Vivek Jalan, Partner, Tax Connect Advisory.

Expenses incurred for the freelancing work -- spent fully and exclusively for the purpose of the work and incurred during the tax year, and which are not capital expenditure or personal expenditure of the freelancer – are allowed to be deducted as expenditure.

Such expenses may include items like rent of the property, travel expenses, entertainment or hospitality expenses, domain registration and apps purchased, etc.

Jalan also reminds of the fact that in case the value of freelancing services provided is more than Rs 20 lakh a year, GST would also be charged on the professional services provided by the person to clients.

Which ITR form should one file?

If one is earning from more than one source, it could become difficult to ascertain which Income Tax Return (ITR) form one should file. And in case one is moonlighting, it could become even more confusing.

According to Saurrav Sood of SW India, where the second employer is also paying such income as salary, then the ITR which is applicable to the salary earner will be valid – ITR form 1.

However, where the amount is paid as consultancy charges -- under retainership agreement or on a project basis, then ITR 3 will apply. If one opts for presumptive taxation, then they can file ITR-4.

A freelancer can opt for the presumptive taxation scheme, if the income from professional services provided as the total gross receipts do not exceed Rs 50 lakh in a financial year.

"Under the presumptive scheme, a flat deduction of 50% of the gross total receipts is allowed. Balanced receipts or a sum higher than that shall be considered the profits and gains for the purpose of taxation under the head Profits and Gains of business and profession," says Sandeep Sehgal of AKM Global.

TAX ON SIDE-GIGS

- TDS is deducted from payments made for freelance work or consultancy services provided, the TDS, thus, deducted gets reflected in form **26AS**
- In case of freelancing income, TDS provision will apply if the aggregate total amount exceeds **₹30,000 in a year**
- Earnings from freelance work or consultancy services are treated as Profits and Gains from business or profession
- Professional income under freelancing is taxable to the extent of profits made after deducting the expenditure incurred for rendering the services
- If the value of freelancing service is more **₹20 lakh** a year, GST would be charged on the services provided

A freelancer can opt for presumptive taxation, if earnings from professional services provided do not exceed **₹50 lakh** in a financial year.

MONEY MATTERS

WHAT CASH MEANS IN EQUITY INVESTING

FINANCIAL ADVICE

RAJAS KELKAR

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EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

A climate of fear is your friend when investing, and a euphoric world is your enemy, said Warren Buffett, the legendary American investor, in one of his letters to shareholders in 2014.

Rising interest rates are putting a higher value on the money printed. Central banks are sucking liquidity out of the financial markets by raising interest rates rapidly. Not long ago, financial markets were flooded with 'cheap' money.

With near zero-interest rates, asset prices rose around the world. As markets adjust to a tighter monetary policy, the same assets will likely diminish in value. If market pundits are to be believed, prices of equity assets and real estate will fall over the next few months. International lending agencies like the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund have already said that a global recession is imminent.

With most experts predicting a recession, businesses and households are likely to cut back on spending. That is likely to cascade further in 2023 for economic growth.

Equity investment prospects

If you are an investor in the stock market, you must learn the importance of keeping adequate cash in your portfolio. A simple reading of news related to the world economy would suggest gloomy days ahead.

You do not have to be a pundit to realise that you would need to save for a rainy day. The reference to Warren Buffett above highlights the importance of cash. However, it also means seizing the opportunity when the chips are down.

Cash is not just about keeping the oxygen for yourself when things go wrong. It is also about biding time and waiting for your moment in the market. In his letter to shareholders for the year 2014, Warren Buffett explains the concept of 'seizing the moment'.

He said that many long-prosperous companies suddenly wondered whether their checks would bounce in the days ahead in September 2008. "In about three weeks spanning late September and early October, we supplied $15.6 billion of fresh money to American businesses," he said.

That was possible for his company because they always maintained a sizeable cash position in their portfolio. In 2011, Berkshire's top investments were worth just under $77bn (cost $48bn). By 2021, existing and new investments (including $31 bn in Apple) were worth $350bn (cost $105bn).

As an investor, you want to learn from these tactics.

For businesses, cash is the oxygen. Warren Buffett believes in keeping more than adequate cash to secure businesses. The stock market also favours businesses that generate cash flows. In such a situation, corporate and individuals tend to cut discretionary spending.

However, companies making essential goods and services continue to generate steady cash. While cutbacks are made on luxury goods by wealthy individuals and expenditures by businesses, they continue to spend money to keep existing operations going. Investors buy shares of those companies that make those essential goods and services. The BSE FMCG index rose 17%, while the Sensex will be flat in 2022.

Equity investment is not just about being aggressive. It is also about holding cash and biding your time for the right moment. If the world is all set to witness a gloom and doom scenario, you must be ready to strike some bargains. If you are fully invested right now, you may want to create a cash position and hold on to that till the imminent fall happens.

The other strategy is to use the 'buy on dips' formula. Just like you make systematic investments through mutual funds, you can create a systematic equity plan or SEP. You can either allocate small amounts monthly or wait for the stock to correct and keep buying every time it falls.

To sleep well, you must ensure that you are not dependent on others. Taking a leaf out of Buffett's letters, you need to be financially impregnable and never dependent on the kindness of strangers or even friends. If you get an inheritance or sudden inflow of funds, you must put it in a high-yielding debt instrument. Invest it when everyone cries gloom and doom. Cash in hand today is like the oxygen supply for tomorrow.

MONEY-WISE

ARE YOU GIVING TO A CHARITY? OR TRYING TO IMPRESS PEOPLE?

FINANCIAL ADVICE

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writes at www.subramoney.com and has authored the best seller 'Retire Rich - Invest C40 a day'

DO you need to work so hard and give to a charity or are you doing this to show off?

No this is not a question that I am asking. This is a question that a wife asked her husband during one of our meetings.

The wife was not impressed at all by the charity that her husband was doing. She felt that he was just trying to show off to his friends, colleagues, relatives by giving six figure donation cheques. This suddenly made me think.

Why do people donate to various causes? At the same time paying their driver, maid, etc very poorly. Or bargaining with them till the cows come home. Or refusing to tip in a hotel, but willing to pay for the clothes of an unknown man lying in an unknown old age home? What really drives people to do charity?

Even Andrew Carnegie did not do charity without putting his name on the hall. Did he? However, I do know a lot of people who do charity very quietly.

Paying for the education for 3 children of his maid servant, 1 child of his cook, and 2 children of his driver (he is now in Engineering) is what a friend does.

His own children are in college – so he is paying for the education of 8 children. Yes, this figure is in 6 digits every month.

However, in the first case, almost all the charities were noisy. After his wife hit him in the solar plexus, I realised that he would do charity ONLY where he got publicity. He refused to pay the fees of a poor friend's son – that too as a temporary loan. It was surprising for me to notice that. His wife noticed that too. She promptly paid for the kid's tuition fee. She told me, "He helps only the glamorous people" – which was again noticeable. He helped a young girl for her adventure sport – the wife thought it a poor cause.

Giving away your old things to somebody is good. You are reducing clutter. However, even for a second, do not pretend you are helping somebody else. You are helping YOURSELF.

When we decide to help someone — a friend, a family member, an employee, anyone — it's easy to think about what we want to do. It's a lot harder and much more important to think about what that individual needs and can accept.

So go and ask yourself all these questions. Even Karna had to answer some difficult questions about why he was a 'danweer'.

In the case of Karna, it was a way to reduce his guilt of being with the wrong party.

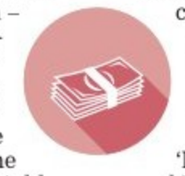
He was just cleansing his conscience.

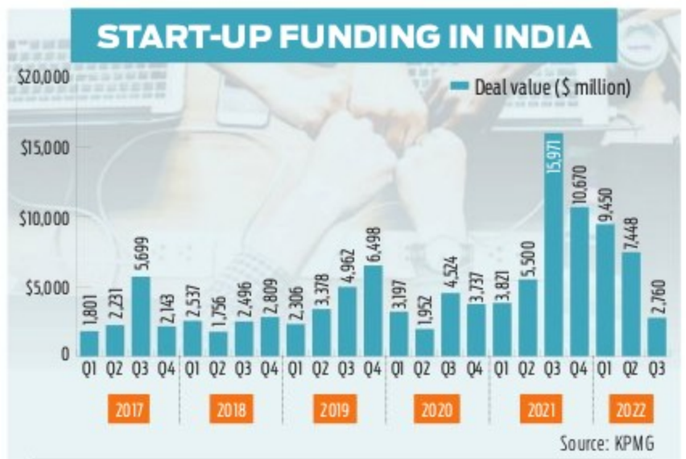
I know at least 3 people who are like that. They donate to:

a) be seen as 'helpers'.

b) gain importance in society – if you help temples, charities, etc. in your own geography you are seen as a successful man.

c) one man whom we called 'Charity Commissioner' had taken a lot of his friend's money as equity and destroyed it. Then he borrowed money from a lot of people – this was also lost. He repaid NOBODY...but committed suicide. I have just asked questions, please find your own answers.





Source: KPMG

VC funding space was largely quiet in the Q3 2022 with just **$2,760 million** being raised during the period

$210 million is the largest fund raised during the quarter by edtech start-up UpGrad

$165m was raised by online eyeglass prescription company Lenskart

Fintech was one of the most attractive sectors for investment with **$130 million** raised by Niyo, **$100 million** by InsuranceDekho and **$97** by EarlySalary

Diwali season: Market may remain positive this week

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@ New Delhi

INDIAN equity markets saw a decent rally and surged over 2% last week after three weeks of consolidation. Markets remained resilient on the back buying during Diwali season and strong Q2FY23 earning show put up by banking firms. The rally came despite multiple headwinds as the dollar rose above the 83 mark against the rupee while US bond yields were at a record high.

Sensex gained 1,387 points or 2.4%, while Nifty 50 soared by nearly 391 points or 2.3% in the week between October 17-21.

"We are heading into a truncated festival week where bulls have reason to celebrate Diwali on a higher note, as the US market witnessed a sharp rebound in Friday's trading session. The market will continue to have an eye on the direction of global markets, the dollar index, US bond yields, and crude oil prices. On the domestic front, October month expiry may lead to some volatility whereas Q2 earnings will cause stock-specific movement, said Santosh Meena, Head of Research, Swastika Investmart.

Meena added that technically, Nifty is witnessing higher highs and higher lows formation after respecting its 200-DMA. On the upside, 17725 is an immediate hurdle; above this, we can expect a rally toward the 17900-18000 zone.

Ajit Mishra, VP - Research, Religare Broking said that Buoyancy on the banking front combined with a buying in select IT, energy and FMCG majors kept the tone positive for most of the week.

"The coming week is a holiday-shortened one and it also marks the beginning of the new Samvat 2079. We have a special one-hour muhurat trading session on Monday i.e. October 24 on the auspicious occasion of Diwali. The scheduled monthly derivatives expiry will keep the volatility high," added Mishra. On the earnings front, participants will first react to the results of index majors like Reliance, ICICI Bank and Kotak Bank. Besides, other prominent names such Tata Chemicals, Dr. Reddy's, Maruti, Vedanta and Tata Power will announce their numbers during the week. While RIL Q2FY23 results were below street estimate, ICICI and Kotak reported robust growth. "Markets have managed to put on a good show so far amid the mixed global cues. However, we've been seeing restricted participation. It's banking which is leading from the front while others are playing a supportive role in between. The broader indices too are showing a mixed trend at present. Amid all, we feel the market tone would remain positive however, the focus should remain on stock selection and risk management," said Mishra. The concerning thing for the Indian market remains falling value of local currency and strengthening of US bond yields in the backdrop of high inflation which is forcing the US Federal Reserve and other central banks to go for another round of key interest rate hikes. Mitul Shah - Head of Research at Reliance Securities said, "The Indian rupee has fallen 12% against the dollar so far this year. The market fear that more rate hikes by the US Fed could again harden US Treasury yields which could further weaken the rupee."

Festival cheer: Bulls have reason to celebrate

India's growth remains strong andexpected to be one of the fastest growing economies in the world.The market is looking at US Fed monetary policy meeting scheduled for 2 Nov. Commentary on festive demand, inflation outlook and rate hike will be keenly watched in the near term.

Rune beats Tsitsipas to win 2nd ATP title

Denmark's Holger Rune saw off top seed Stefanos Tsitsipas in straight sets in Stockholm on Sunday to claim his second ATP title at the age of just 19. The World No 27 saved the only break point he faced in an impressive 6-4, 6-4 victory. "It was an unbelievable match from my side," Rune said.

IN FRONT OF 90,293, ONE STANDS OUT

Kohli's chasing masterclass gives India a last-ball win over Pakistan at MCG

GOMESH S @ Chennai

IT's not like Virat Kohli hadn't done it before. The world knows what he did against Australia in Mohali during the 2016 T20 World Cup. That one shot he played against James Faulkner — where he jumped out of the crease and used his wrists to tap the left-arm pacer like one does in table tennis over long-off for a six — is still etched in the memories. But this was different.

2016 was Kohli at his peak. Six years have gone. The former India captain was facing Pakistan's Haris Rauf, who was steaming in and making the ball climb on a spicy Melbourne surface, in his opening game of the World Cup with 28 runs needed from eight balls.

Rauf bowls high-end pace. Also, the dimensions of the boundaries at the MCG are far more than that of Mohali. And if all of it isn't enough, there were 90,293 fans cheering on, chanting his name. But for Kohli, none of it mattered. He knew he had to hit two sixes off the two deliveries to keep India in the game.

Rauf ran in and delivered a back-of-length slowish delivery that climbed up to Kohli. But he was ready. He let his instinct take over. Kohli stood back, swivelled his hips and bent backwards a little to maintain balance and lofted the delivery from a chest-high position over Rauf's head for a six. Such was the ridiculousness of the shot that even Kohli couldn't believe what he had done. That he was able to generate the pace and timing to take the ball over the rope while standing upright in his crease is what makes it arguably his best T20I shot ever.

From thereon, there was no stopping him. The next ball, he anticipated a down-the-leg delivery to flick it into the stands. Two sixes in two balls. He had achieved what he wanted. That said, there was no shortness of drama in the final over. With 16 needed off six, every ball was an event. But as R Ashwin chipped Mohammad Nawaz over mid-off in the final delivery, India prevailed in the end.

The word prevailed does no justice to how things went down. It was redemption for India and even more so for Kohli. Truth be told, not long ago, there were questions about Kohli's place in India's T20I XI. After all, till the Asia Cup, he had played only four T20Is in 2022. He went through a rough patch, had to take a mental health sabbatical. It hadn't been an easy year for him. And going by the numbers and his approach, some of the questions did seem valid.

However, sport seldom works that way. Although numbers do tell a story, it is the athlete that makes the difference. Kohli showed exactly that on Sunday. He came in early, started off slow. So much so that, after 24 balls, he was batting on just 15 runs. Pakistan were playing the match-ups. They were bowling spinners from both ends.

But Kohli did what he does best in a chase. He negated the match-ups, took calculated risks to pick up sixes and fours. He knew India were in the game for as long as he was in the middle. The roars of "come ons" and "fist pumps" kept coming with every boundary. And when the pressure was on, Kohli stepped up and delivered as he has all through his career.

The reactions after the chase said it all. After the initial eruption of joy and celebration, he looked up to the skies in tears. After all, it was his best-ever T20I knock. Both Kohli and Rohit Sharma said as much. "..definitely his best for sure, but I think from the situation we were in, and to come out with a victory, I think it has to be one of India's best knocks," Rohit said after the match. More than the words, it was the skipper's reaction after the victory that made it poetic. Rohit ran out, lifted Kohli on his shoulders and celebrated, reminding the latter's famous quote on Sachin Tendulkar after winning the 2011 ODI World Cup. "He carried the burden of the nation for 21 years; it was time we carried him," Kohli had said.

Throughout 2022, the Indian team management backed Kohli to come good. As the 33-year-old repaid the faith on Sunday, Rohit celebrated with Kohli on his shoulders, just like the former did with Tendulkar a decade ago.

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Brief scores: Pakistan 159/8 in 20 ovs (Masood 52 n.o, Iftikhar 51; Arshdeep 3/32, Hardik 3/30) **lost to** India 160/6 in 20 ovs (Kohli 82 n.o, Hardik 40; Rauf 2/36).

India's captain Rohit Sharma (C) lifts Virat Kohli as they celebrate their win over Pakistan on Sunday | AFP

VIRAT'S 2 HALVES
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LAST 29 BALLS (67 RUNS): 6114141·12141·12·14241416626

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> I honestly have no words. I have no idea how that happened. Hardik kept telling me, just believe we can stay till the end. I'm lost for words. Till today I said Mohali was my best T20 innings. Then I got 82 off 52, today I got 82 off 53. Both are just as special. All these months when I was struggling, you guys [the crowd] kept me going. Thank you so much
>
> — Virat Kohli, India batter

Pacers' day out

With the pitch having enough juice, pacers from both the teams made the contest memorable by scalping 11 out of 14 wickets that fell on the day at the huge Melbourne Cricket Ground

ARSHDEEP DOES A SHAHEEN

Sport is filled with redemption stories. It was one such day for India and Arshdeep Singh. They had lost their top-order to Shaheen Shah Afridi exactly 364 days ago in the last edition while Arshdeep dropped a crucial catch in the Asia Cup. Bowling first, the Indian left-arm pacer rattled the pillars of Pakistan batting line-up, sending back both the openers in the powerplay. Arshdeep's first ball on his World Cup debut was a perfect inswinger that trapped Babar on the pads. In his next over, the left-arm pacer varied his lengths beautifully to set Rizwan up with a sharp bouncer. His spell (3/32) set the tone early on for India.

NASEEM RETURNS THE FAVOUR

If India had Arshdeep, Pakistan had Nassem Shah. He was breathing fire with the new ball. He cleaned up KL Rahul, and planted a seed of doubt in the minds of Rohit and Suryakumar. After surviving him, the duo fell to Haris Rauf in the powerplay. Still carrying the impact of Shaheen from 2021, the Indian top-order just tried to see through the powerplay, defending the new ball unlike their aggressive approach throughout 2022. In a madness filled encounter, Naseem (1/23) was the star pacer for Pakistan, once again putting India on the back foot.

Clinical Sri Lanka beat Ireland

HOBART: Kusal Mendis hit an unbeaten fifty after the bowlers put up a clinical show to guide Sri Lanka to a dominating nine-wicket win over Ireland in a T20 World Cup super 12 match, here on Sunday. Asked to bowl, Sri Lankan bowlers, led by spin duo of Maheesh Theekshana (2/19) and Wanindu Hasaranga (2/25), produced an all-round effort to restrict Ireland to a below-par 128 for 8. Harry Tector was the top-scorer for Ireland, scoring 45 off 42 balls with two fours and one six, while Paul Stirling made 34 off 25 balls.

Brief scores: Ireland 128/8 in 20 ovs (Tector 45, Stirling 34; Theekshana 2/19, Hasaranga 2/25) **lost to** Sri Lanka 133/1 in 15 ovs (Kusal 68 n.o).

Chasing 129 to win, Sri Lanka never looked in any sort of trouble as they overwhelmed the target, scoring 133/1 with five overs to spare. They next face Australia on Tuesday.

Today's matches (Hobart)
Bangladesh vs Netherlands, 9.30AM; South Africa vs Zimbabwe, 1.30PM
LIVE ON STAR SPORTS NETWORK

Ganguly out of CAB polls

AGENCIES @ Kolkata

FORMER BCCI president Sourav Ganguly on Sunday pulled out of the race to become the Cricket Association of Bengal's next chief, paving the way for his elder brother Snehasish to be elected uncontested at its upcoming AGM on October 31. "I had said that I would contest only if there's election. There's not going to be any election, so it will be uncontested," Ganguly said after he chose not to file his papers for the president's post on the last date of nomination.

Denied a second term at the Indian cricket board, the former BCCI president only a week back had announced that he's all set to contest elections to return as the CAB chief. Snehasish, who was the secretary under Avishek Dalmiya, will now run the show at the CAB.

Shooter Vijayveer finishes 11th, Vijay 13th

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

INDIAN shooters came within sight of overcoming the first hurdle but failed to make it to the ranking round at the ongoing ISSF World Championship in Cairo, Egypt, on Sunday.

Competing in men's 25m rapid fire pistol, which had four Olympic quotas up for grabs, Vijayveer Sidhu, who was lying in third place after Stage 1 (precision round), slipped away on Stage 2 (rapid fire round) to just miss out on ranking round. Vijayveer had shot a strong 294 on Saturday to raise India's hopes but he couldn't replicate that performance on Sunday, shooting a total of 289 on Stage 2. He fell to 11th in the overall standings. The top-eight performers from Stage 1 and 2 qualified for ranking matches.

Veteran Vijay Kumar put up a strong show on the day, matching some of the top scorers, but was unable to make the cut having put up an average performance on Saturday. The London Olympics silver medallist had hit 288 on Saturday to be placed 28th. He did well 24 hours later, tallying an impressive 293 on Stage 2. However, that was not enough as he finished 13th.

Anish, the third Indian shooter in the competition, had shot just 281 on Day 1. Though he totalled an impressive 294, it was never going to be enough after a disappointing opening day. He finished 28th.

Silver for women's team

The women's 25m pistol team comprising Manu Bhaker, Rhythm Sangwan and Abhidnya Ashok Patil settled for silver after being beaten by China in the gold medal match.

EXPRESS READ

India jr men's hockey team loses

JOHOR (MALAYSIA): The Indian junior men's hockey team squandered a two-goal lead at half time to lose 4-5 against South Africa in their second match at the Sultan of Johor Cup here on Sunday. Sharda Nand Tiwari (9th, 10th), captain Uttam Singh (17th) and Sudeep Chirmako (45th) found the target for India. They will take on Japan in their third game on Tuesday.

Red Bull founder Dietrich dies

VIENNA: Red Bull founder Dietrich Mateschitz, who made the energy drink a global phenomenon and forged a title-winning Formula One team and a sports empire, died on Saturday aged 78, the company said. Mateschitz took a sweet drink that was already popular in Asia and adapted it for the Western market with huge success.

Marquez 7th in Malaysia GP

SEPANG: An energetic start to the Malaysian GP saw Repsol Honda Team's Marc Marquez and Pol Espargaro settle into safe point-scoring positions. Marquez made a good initial launch before losing positions into the tight and treacherous Turn 1. The six-time MotoGP winner crossed the finish line in seventh place, earning nine points. Espargaro finished 14th to score two points.

Odisha FC & Kerala Blasters players in action at Kalinga Stadium | SHAMIM QURESHY

Odisha FC rally to beat Kerala at home in ISL

AGENCIES @ Bhubaneswar

THE Diwali fireworks started early at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar as Odisha FC secured all three points against Kerala Blasters with a dramatic 2-1 comeback win in the Indian Super League (ISL). Harmanjot Khabra scored in the 35th minute before Jerry Mawihmingthanga equalised in the 54th minute and substitute Pedro Martin won it for the Juggernauts in the 86th minute.

The ball was in the Kerala Blasters' net after seven minutes, but the goal was disallowed. Mauricio cut in from the left flank before getting his shot away from an extremely acute angle. The effort was parried by Prabhsukhan Gill before it reached Isaac Chhakchhuak. The midfielder's goal-bound shot was blocked by Gill before Jerry tried to tap it in from close range. The goal was chalked off because Gill had a glove on the ball when Jerry toe-poked it into the net.

Halfway through the first half, Blasters scurried to clear an Odisha FC corner. The ball found its way to Thoiba, whose shot from the edge of the box forced a brilliant save out of the Blaster's shot-stopper. The visitors got their noses in front ten minutes before half-time. Adrian Luna played a short corner to Lalthathanga Khawlhring before whipping a brilliant in-swinging ball from the left flank. Khabra sprung the offside trap and broke the deadlock with a thumping header.

PREMIER LEAGUE

Arsenal held at Southampton, Villa soar after Gerrard sacking

AFP @ London

ARSENAL dropped points for just the second time this season in a frustrating 1-1 draw for the Gunners at Southampton as Aston Villa responded to the sacking of Steven Gerrard with a 4-0 thumping of Brentford.

Mikel Arteta's men looked set to move four points clear at the top of the table when Granit Xhaka continued his fine form by smashing home the opening goal at St. Mary's after just 11 minutes. The visitors dominated the first half, but failed to add to their advantage with Gabriel Jesus guilty of missing big chances either side of the break.

Arsenal were punished when Stuart Armstrong produced a composed finish to level 25 minutes from time. Martin Odegaard smashed home as the league leaders pushed for a winner, but the goal was ruled out as the ball had already gone out of play prior to Kieran Tierney's cross.

A draw means leaves Arsenal just two points clear of Manchester City at the top of the table.

Former Liverpool captain Gerrard was the fall guy for Villa winning just two of their opening 11 league games with a 3-0 defeat at Fulham on Thursday the final straw. Caretaker manager Aaron Danks did not shy away from big decisions as captain John McGinn was dropped to the bench and got an immediate reaction.

Leon Bailey fired Villa in front after just two minutes before the Jamaican teed up Danny Ings to make it 2-0. Ings then added a third inside 14 minutes from the penalty spot before Ollie Watkins rounded off the scoring in the second half.

Stuart Armstrong celebrates after scoring the equaliser against Arsenal | AP

Wolves are not enjoying the same success under their caretaker boss Steve Davis as Leicester moved out of the relegation zone with a 4-0 win at Molineux.

Youri Tielemans' stunning strike that dipped into the top corner got the Foxes off to a flying start before Harvey Barnes' cool finish doubled the lead for Brendan Rodgers' men.

James Maddison and Jamie Vardy sealed Leicester's first away win against a side still in the Premier League for a year in the second half.

Results: Aston Villa 4-0 Brentford; Leeds 2-3 Fulham; Southampton 1-1 Arsenal; Wolves 0-4 Leicester.

Madrid beat Sevilla

MADRID: Just when it seemed Real Madrid might consider dropping points in the La Liga title race, the champions calmly moved up a gear to secure a 3-1 win over Sevilla on Saturday.

Carlo Ancelotti's unbeaten side won their latest tie thanks to two strikes in three minutes from Lucas Vazquez and Fede Valverde in the final stages.

Malvika, Kaushal win titles

PUNE: Top-seeded Malvika Bansod clinched the women's singles title while unseeded Kaushal Dharmamer secured the men's crown at the VV Natu Memorial All India Senior Ranking badminton tournament here on Sunday. Bansod won 13-21, 21-17, 22-20 against Adita Rao. Kaushal, on the other hand, beat Rohan Gurbani 21-10, 21-16 in the men singles summit clash. Meanwhile, Khushi Gupta secured two titles — women's doubles and mixed doubles. Khushi and Siddharth Elango beat the pair of Aravind Suresh and Pavithra Navin 21-19, 21-15 to lift the mixed doubles title.Khushi then joined Priya Devi Konjengbam to win women's doubles final.

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The shipwreck

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THE RESCUE MISSION

According to media sources, the Senegalese and Spanish navies, and fishermen who were nearby, rescued 59 people and retrieved the remains of 20 others

PROVIDING HELP

The Government of Senegal and International Organization for Migration (IOM) arranged a mission to assess the needs of survivors and provide assistance

THE TRAGEDY

With this tragic shipwreck, at least 414 people were known to have died along this route in 2020 according to IOM's Missing Migrants Project

Checkout the events of the day

PG 2

Avin Thaliath (@chef_avin), pastry chef and the director of Lavonne Academy of Baking Science And Pastry Arts, dishes out a food-related quiz in this weekly series. Be a real 'whisk' taker and let us know if you have what it bakes. Who knows, your dreams may crumb true.

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CONTACTING TRIUMPH

With the Pro Kabaddi League in its ninth season, coaches, players, and fans share how the league has increased the sport's popularity and the role B'luru has played in it

TUNIR BISWAS

Kabaddi has always been a very accessible sport right from the grassroots level. Most likely because you don't need any equipment to play it, only players. Alongside football (which still needs a ball), kabaddi is one of the few contact sports that children from all walks of life can play. However, the sport's accessibility is where its advantages used to end. There used to be no defined career growth for a professional kabaddi player. You might have been part of the gold medal team, but hardly anyone would know you. This meant sustaining yourself with just your career as a professional player was an extremely daunting task. At least, this was the case until the Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) was introduced in 2014. With PKL, players got a lot more media coverage, kabaddi became a lot more glamorous, and it opened giant doors for players and coaches alike.

Randhir Singh, coach of the PKL team Bengaluru Bulls, feels that even though the league has increased the popularity of the sport nationwide, Bengaluru has always had a fanbase for kabaddi. "I have been involved with this sport for 42 years, 20 as a player and 22 as a coach. And as far as I remember, this city and Karnataka have always had a successful history with kabaddi. They've been champions before. But PKL has indeed amplified its popularity by many bounds. You can see people from all over the country coming to watch the matches," says Singh.

Having reached the semi-finals on several occasions, along with being the runner-ups in the second season, Bengaluru Bulls finally became champions in season six, and have been a very successful team in PKL. In the current season, the team currently sits in the third position. "With the league's success, opportunities for young athletes interested in the sport have increased beyond our wildest imaginations. During my time, success in kabaddi did not guarantee employment. That has changed now. There is a clear future for kabaddi now," adds Singh.

Joginder Singh Narwal, currently the captain of Haryana Steelers, but who has previously played for Bengaluru Bulls, shares an interesting anecdote about a certain cricketing legend. "One time, Rahul Dravid had come to watch one of our matches. We noticed his son had an injury on his hand. When we enquired about it, Dravid told us that his son got injured while playing kabaddi! That gave me an idea of how big this sport has become that even the son of a famous cricketer is indulging in it," shares Narwal.

Arjuna awardee and captain of Gujarat Giants, Ram Mehar Singh, believes Bengaluru is one of the best cities to host PKL. "The crowd in this city is a brilliant cheering squad. I was in the stadium during one of their matches, and the way the city's fans supported the Bengaluru Bulls was electrifying. I always believe the fans are a huge factor behind a team's success," says Mehar Singh, who won gold medals for the Indian team in the 1998 and 2002 Asian Games.

Speaking of Bengaluru Bulls fans, Charan Raj N, who is the vice-president at JP Morgan Chase & Co, says that he is pleased to see so many schools and colleges now having their own kabaddi teams. "In the early 2000s, an educational institution having a kabaddi team would have been an anomaly. I'm glad that has changed now. You can see the culture around the sport has grown out of its niche and spread across the mainstream. I am a given example of PKL's success, as I got invested in the sport through the league itself. Now I can't have enough of it. I keep track of Bengaluru Bulls' every match, and in their latest game against U Mumba yesterday, I saw our side mount the greatest comeback ever," says Charan.

> *Crowd in Bengaluru is a brilliant cheering squad. I was in the stadium during one of their matches, and the way the fans supported Bengaluru Bulls was electrifying*
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> Ram Mehar Singh, captain of Gujarat Giants

CITY READ

Engineering institute celebrates annual graduation day

M.S Ramaiah Institute of Technology celebrated its 14th annual graduation day on October 20. Thallam Venkatesh, president of the alumni association, MSRIT, congratulated, and urged all the students to be disciplined have good communication skills, safeguard our culture, to express gratitude to parents and teachers. "Remember you are the nation builder, and you are responsible to build the nation," he added. The chief guest for the event, Rishikesha T Krishnan, director, IIM Bengaluru congratulated the college for completing 60 years.

BENGALUREANS HAVE MIXED VIEWS ON THE CIRCULAR ISSUED BY KARNATAKA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD, ALLOWING BURSTING OF FIRECRACKERS DURING DEEPAVALI FOR TWO HOURS EVERY DAY

BURSTING THE BUBBLE

HIYA TAKAL

WHAT'S a Deepavali without some fireworks and crackers? While many still look forward to the festival burst crackers, the recent circular issued by Karnataka State Pollution Control Board to limit the busting of crackers between 8-10 pm, has turned out to be a spoilsport for many. The issue came in an attempt to curb the increasing air pollution during the festival. While many Bengalureans are happy with the new restrictions, since it lessens noise and air pollution, many others expressed discontent with the regulations.

Madhan Chakravarthy, firecracker wholesaler, points out many burst crackers according to an auspicious time, and due to the latest restriction this might be a huge hit to their business. "It is going to be beneficial for the city but it will affect the rituals of several communities as Bengaluru is the home to a mix of different cultures. While some start their Deepavali celebration by bursting crackers early in the morning, some burn them only before or after the puja is done. Therefore, people might need to take a call between sticking to their rituals or saving the place they are residing in," says Chakravarthy.

Sashi Kumar, a another firecrackers dealer from north Bengaluru feels that despite its positive impact on the environment, the restrictions may lose them crucial business. "In terms of the business, the sale would decrease but at least the burning of crackers has not been banned totally rather they have set up a time which is a concession for the firecracker sellers."

Meanwhile, Chandni Patel, a post-graduate student from the city felt that restricting when people can burst crackers would minimise distractions to commuters and office goes. "A lot of people from my experience, keep on bursting crackers way after 10 pm, sometimes at midnight, around 2-3 am. The 8-10 pm span is perfect as neither will it affect the office goers commute nor will it affect the sleep schedule of anyone," she adds.

Similarly, Byapti Dhar, a senior associate at Deloitte, wants the restrictions to be extended to other festivals where crackers are burnt. "It's going to bring in a change and even though it's a tiny step, if it can be maintained over the long run for other festivals or ceremonies where crackers are used, it can bring in a significant change. It would have been better if it was banned completely but as several cultures and traditional beliefs are interlinked with this, putting up a time barrier is going to work pretty well if the citizens manage to maintain it by considering the intensity of the situation," she says.

WATCH LIST

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Watch on: Netflix

From Scratch (English)

A Texas artist and student travel to Italy, where she falls in love with a Sicilian chef and starts a life-altering journey through different cultures and continents filled with love, loss, and hope.

Cast: Zoe Saldana, Eugenio Mastrandrea, Keith David

Watch on: Netflix

The Peripheral (English)

This sci-fi series is set in the future where a woman and her family are put in danger when she starts using a video game that unlocks all her dreams.

Cast: Chloe Grace Moretz, Jack Reynor, Gary Carr

Watch on: Prime Video

20th Century Girl (Korean)

The film revolves around a teen girl who keeps a close eye on a popular boy as a favour to her best friend, who has a crush on him but gets lost in her love story.

Cast: Kim You-jung, Byeon Woo-seok, Park Jung-woo

Watch on: Netflix

Barbarians Season 2 (German)

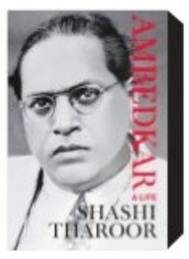
Three people's destinies are interlinked in the Battle of the Teutoburg Forest in 9 A.D., during which Germanic warriors cease the spread of the Roman Empire.

Cast: Florian Schmidtke ; Laurence Rupp ; Jeanne Goursaud ; David Schütter ; Bernhard Schütz

Watch on: Netflix

AN ARTIST'S PERSPECTIVE P3

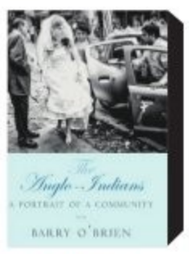
BOOK NOOK



Ambedkar: A Life

By Shashi Tharoor

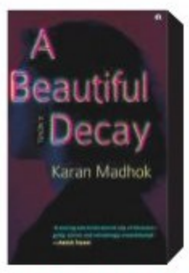
Babasaheb Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar is today among the most revered of Indians, his statues across the country second only in number to Mahatma Gandhi. He even overtook Gandhi in a recent poll to determine the 'greatest Indian' of modern times.



The Anglo-Indians: A Portrait of a Community

By Barry O' Brien

Barry O' Brien, an Anglo-Indian with a ringside view and his finger firmly on the pulse of the community, delves deep into the heritage, culture, way of life, literature, social mores, and sheer dynamism of the community.



A Beautiful Decay: A Novel

By Karan Madhok

Vishnu, a 21-year-old Indian student out drinking in a bar in Washington D.C., is murdered in a hate crime. At the moment of his death, Vishnu traces the sequence of events that led to his life being extinguished.

Derby

By Binayak Bandyopadhyay

The story revolves around the lives by Anandakumar and his family, their love for football teams East Bengal and Mohanbagan.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Fusion Melodies

Witness the magical musical performance by Kalatva Band who are popular for their classical and Bollywood instrumental fusion melodies.

WHERE: Lulu Global Mall, Rajajinagar
WHEN: October 24th, 6 pm
CALL: 080 4560 7788

FESTIVE TASTE

Explore a special fusion menu curated by the Taste of America in collaboration with Impresario Handmade Restaurants for the festive season. **WHERE:** Koramangala Social
WHEN: October 24 onwards, 9 am **CALL:** 09152010479

Boom Box

Dress up in the traditional attire and groove with the rhythms of Saket, Maskara & Axle. **WHERE:** Indigo XP, Koramangala
WHEN: October 24th, 8 pm **DETAILS:** highape.com

Humour Night

Gear up to eat heartily and laugh endlessly while comedians, Kishore Yadav and Kelt Dwip crack you up with their new materials.
WHERE: K-OS The Gamebar, Koramangala
WHEN: October 24th, 9 pm
DETAILS: highape.com

Go Green

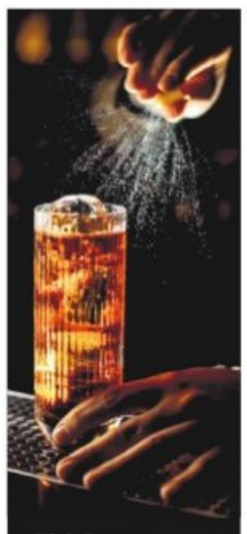
Enjoy Deepavali with a different touch by opting for a staycation amidst green ambience.
WHERE: Olde Bangalore Resort, Tharabanahalli
WHEN: October 24 onwards **CALL:** 096865 16237

Festive eateries

Enjoy a specially curated festive menu at this popular restaurant and celebrate Deepavali while savouring mouth-watering dishes.
WHERE: Hopshaus, Whitefield and Indiranagar
WHEN: October 24th onwards
CALL: 08861924449

Desi Beats

Have a gala time this Deepavali night while vibing with the desi beats of DJ Jeevan and DJ Nikz.
WHERE: Badmaash, Koramangala
WHEN: October 24th, 8 pm
DETAILS: highape.com



T20 Fever

Cheer for your favourite team as the whole area transforms into an electrifying atmosphere in the company of great food, drinks, and friends.
WHERE: The Nest, The Den, Whitefield
WHEN: October 24 onwards, Between Match Hours
CALL: 8071117272

ARTE EXQUISITA

Art lovers throng to check out the sculptures exhibition by Anila Jacob at the National Gallery of Modern Art in Bengaluru | VINOD KUMAR T

QUICK FIX

COCONUT BURFI

Contributed by **Rama Shecar**, Kochi

INGREDIENTS

- **Grated coconut:** 1 cup
- **Sugar:** 1 cup
- **Ghee:** 2 tsp
- **Milk:** 3/4 cup
- **Cardamom powder:** 1/2 tsp

METHOD

- In a heavy bottom pan, add sugar. Pour just enough water to dissolve the sugar.
- On medium flame, make sugar syrup. Add grated coconut and milk. Stir on high flame.
- When it boils keep it on low flame for 7-10 minutes stirring occasionally.
- Add ghee and cardamom powder.
- When the mixture leaves the sides of the pan, pour it on a greased plate and leave to set.
- Cut into square or burfi shape and serve.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com.

FIT BIT

BHUJANGASANA ELBOWS BENT

(COBRA POSE ELBOWS BENT)

It is a base pose for cobra pose. To find a deeper expression, the hands can be walked closer towards the torso with arms bent, providing a stronger backbend. It is said to arouse Kundalini energy, which usually lies dormant at the base of the spine.

STEPS

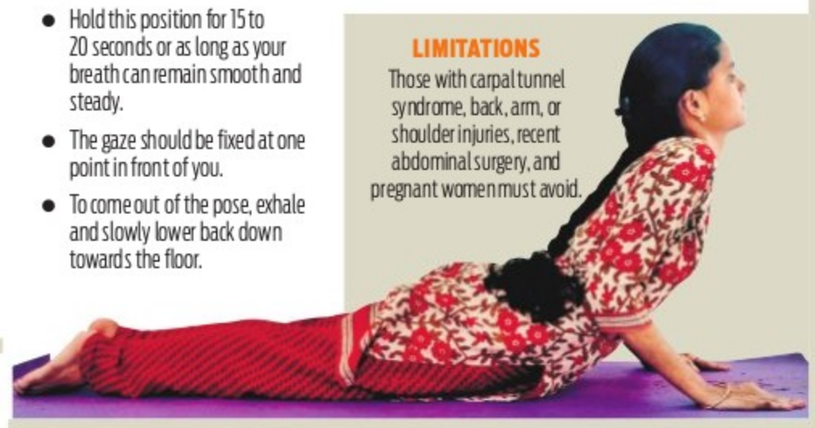
- Lie prone on the floor with the legs outstretched and feet hip-width apart.
- Place the palms down below the shoulders, with elbows bent and in towards the torso.
- Pressing the tops of the feet and the pubic bone firmly into the floor, inhale to lift the chest and begin to straighten the arms, keeping the elbows softly bent and tucked into the ribcage.
- Keep the shoulders away from the ears, and draw the shoulder blades towards each other to maintain an open chest.
- Lift your upper body as far as possible while still keeping the pubic bone on the mat.
- Hold this position for 15 to 20 seconds or as long as your breath can remain smooth and steady.
- The gaze should be fixed at one point in front of you.
- To come out of the pose, exhale and slowly lower back down towards the floor.

BENEFITS

- Makes your body flexible and fills the muscles with great physical strength.
- Aids in the proper functioning of digestive organs.
- Heals lungs and respiratory disorders.
- Helps in good blood circulation, in turn ensuring a good transport of nutrients, hormones, and oxygen removing unnecessary waste products.
- Natural relief from back and neck ache.
- Relieves the leg from sciatica pain by softening the spinal impingement.
- Ensures a healthy urinary system and proper waste elimination.
- Kundalini awakening infuses the muscle and body with extreme strength.
- Keeps the seven chakras of the body balanced.
- Associated with the overall wellbeing of humankind.
- Sets you towards self-awakening.

LIMITATIONS

Those with carpal tunnel syndrome, back, arm, or shoulder injuries, recent abdominal surgery, and pregnant women must avoid.



By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

LUCKY MAN (Kannada)

Arjun and Anu are childhood friends. Anu proposes out of convenience but their marriage turns out to be a nightmare since he is not really in love with her. While applying for a divorce, an unexpected twist gives Arjun a second chance. Will they live happily or will they get divorced?

Cast: Puneeth Rajkumar, Darling Krishna, Sangeetha Sringeri

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

MAJA MA (Hindi)

Pallavi Patel is a devoted housewife who is famous for her dance. What happens when a rumor about her threatens to disrupt her life?

Cast: Madhuri Dixit, Gajraj Rao, Ritwik Bhowmik

Watch on : Amazon Prime Video

AMMU (Telugu)

What starts off as a fairy tale marriage, changes when Ammu's cop-husband Ravi hits her. Soon it turns into a never-ending cycle of abuse. Pushed to her limits, Ammu teams up with an unlikely ally to break free.

Cast: Aishwarya Lekshmi, Naveen Chandra, Simha

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

VENDHU THANINDHATHU KAADU (Tamil)

Muthu's mother sends him to work at Parotta Shop in Mumbai. His journey takes a drastic turn as he is entwined in a vicious network of blood and crime.

Cast: Silambarasan TR, Siddhi Idnani, Radikaa Sarathkumar

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

AA AMMAYI GURINCHI MEEKU CHEPPALI (Telugu)

Naveen is a successful filmmaker, and Alekhya is the twin sister of a deceased aspiring actress. Brought together by fate, they honour the memory of those who are not with them.

Cast: Sudheer Babu, Krithi Shetty, Srinivas Avasarala

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

NENU MEEKU BAAGA KAVALSINAVAADINI (Telugu)

Theju is a software engineer who goes into depression following a break up. She distances herself from her family and becomes an alcoholic.

Cast: Kiran Abbavaram, Sanjana Anand

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

YAAR MERA TITLIAAN WARGA (Punjabi)

To spice things up, a couple married for six years opens fake social media accounts. Things go wrong when they accidentally become friends with each other.

Cast: Gippy Grewal, Tanu Grewal

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

FOREIGN

COMA (English)

After a mysterious accident, a young architect comes back to his senses in a very odd world. Cities, glaciers, rivers can all be found in one room. He must find out the exact laws of it as he fights for his life and keeps on looking for the exit to the real world.

Cast: Lyubov Aksyonova, Rinal Mukhametov, Polina Kuzminskaya

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

JURASSIC WORLD: DOMINION (English)

With Earth once again dominated by prehistoric predators, two generations of heroes must unite for a globe-spanning adventure to shape the destiny of humans and dinosaurs.

Cast: Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Laura Dern

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

THE BALKAN LINE (English)

NATO bombs Belgrade in March 1999 and the Serb army pulls out of Kosovo in June. A small band of Russian Soldiers must take over Kosovo's airport from such bandits and hold it until Russian peacekeepers arrive.

Cast: Anton Pampushnyy, Milena Radulovic, Yuriy Kutsenko

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

COLD SKIN (English)

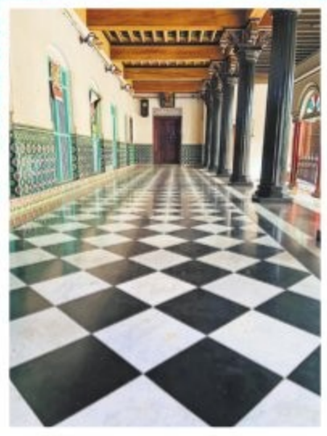
In 1914, a young man arrives at a remote island near the Antarctic Circle to take the post of weather observer only to find himself trapped in a watchtower besieged by deadly creatures which live in hiding on the island.

Cast: Ray Stevenson, David Oakes, Aura Garrido

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

SUBSCRIPTION

Disney+Hotstar:	₹199 for 3 months
Zee5:	₹399 for 3 months
Prime Video:	₹179 per month
Netflix:	₹149 per month



Andamans, scenic Chettinad regions, Hampi and Maldives are the top-picks for Bengalureans for the long weekend getaway

AWAY FROM HOME

DESE GOWDA

PEOPLE are making the most out of the long weekend to take a quick and escape from the busy life in the city before the Deepavali preparation sets in. For example, Nagarjuna Bellari, a 24-year-old IT professional from the city, is currently in Goa for a three-day-long trip. "I do celebrate Deepavali but because of the lockdown, I haven't had the opportunity to go out anywhere with college friends in a long time. And since getting long holiday weekends is so race, we chose this occasion to travel," says Bellari. He further adds, "Now that the pandemic is over, we are slowly realising the travel plans we've had since college. We have a mix of adventure and leisure events planned. We hope to go on trekking and other activities during the first two days and relax on the final day before heading back home."

Sumitra Senapathy, the founder of WOW club, an adventure travel boutique based in the city that exclusively caters to women, says that the new trend is unprecedented and mostly seen among young professionals. "The younger crowd, are a little more modern in their outlook and they don't mind going out on Deepavali. Furthermore, a holiday during the festival time makes sense because it coincides with their office leaves and it's the only time when their friends and family are also free."

While places that are relatively nearer to Bengaluru are the preferred destinations for many travellers this weekend, Senapathy says that people are looking for places that offer great food and a memorable experience. "They like the idea of going and staying at a nice place, a change from their usually environments. But not too far from home, usually in and around India. They go to places like the Maldives, Hampi, Pondicherry, and Andaman. Chettinadu, which is known for its food and gourmet trail, is particularly popular."

Meanwhile, many others are travelling simply to escape the noise and bustle of the city during the Deepawali festival. Rajvi D, a law professional says that she's travelling to Pondicherry just to get away from and enjoy a calm weekend away. "I want some time away from the city's hustle and bustle. The township of Auroville is one place that I'm really looking forward to, since it's lush with greenery and can offer me the peace and quiet that I'm looking for. I can't wait to catch a sunset by the beach too. I usually celebrate Deepavali at home with friends and family but since we have been stuck indoors due to the pandemic for the last 2 years, this time I wanted to travel and celebrate it outdoors," explains Rajiv.

Demand for both domestic and international leisure travel has steadily risen throughout 2022, as the hospitality industry slowly recovered from the devastating effects of the lockdown. Having been forced to remain cooped up within their homes for nearly two years, many Bengalureans are now seeking to travel to faraway places and break the monotony of life. "We have not seen this kind of demand before, even prior to the pandemic. People are eager to get away from their homes and let off steam," says Sanjeev Katoch from Travel Unbounded. The demand for travel has risen even more rapidly this Deepavali season given the long weekend, allowing some to take week-long holidays.

National Gallery of Modern Art curates an exhibition showcasing renowned painter Yusuf Arakkal's works

HIYA TAKAL

THEY says the art makes an artist immortal and the ongoing show of Yusuf Arakkal's work is a classic example of it. The renowned late painter always wanted to host an exhibit in Bengaluru to showcase his works. But unfortunately, that could never happen during his lifetime. However, with the support of the curators from National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA) and the cooperation of Sara Arakkal, Yusuf's wife, a retrospective has been set up to fulfil his unmet wish.

Born and raised up in Kerala, Arakkal's heart always belonged to this city as he felt that Bengaluru gave him more than his expectations. Spending months on the town's pavements, most of his artwork are based on humanity and the struggles of daily life. There isn't really any specific genre for his works. That is what makes him stand out from the rest.

Starting from documenting whatever he came across while travelling to designing structures of wheels and pipes with an amalgamation of emotions to making portraits of notable personalities, the uniqueness, and diversity of his pieces are exceptionally impressive.

He loved exploring different techniques and that is quite evident from the pieces displayed in the gallery. From copper, granite, mud, oil on canvas, watercolour, terracotta, and steel to making art digitally, he has covered a wide range of techniques over the years.

He was a tech geek and that made him mix his painting subjects from his work life with daily things and nature.

The exhibition put up in the NGMA is exceptionally well-curated. Arakkal is known for covering a wide range of genres. At least one work from each of his popular series has been displayed in the gallery which throws light upon the specific sequels' topic.

"It was an amazing experience to put this together. It was a long-awaited event. Sara and my curator team have been working on this for the past year. Witnessing the overwhelming response from the audience since the inauguration day has melted our hearts," says Nazneen Banu, the director of NGMA, Bengaluru.

When we asked Sara Arakkal, which specific series or sculpture is she most attached to, she said, "Well, it's very hard to choose one when I have spent so many years with them. My attachment to each and every piece is extremely deep. Every time I have to part with a piece, I feel very sad about it. In the end, it is really hard for me to let go of any of these creations as I have been preserving them for all these years with the utmost love and passion. This is all I have to cherish the person with whom I have spent 43 years."

Arakkal was known for being a very down-to-earth person and that is reflected in each of his creations. Even though he had travelled and hosted shows all around the world, his heart always belonged to Bengaluru.

The exhibition will be hosted by NGMA till the 30th of November 2022 and anyone who wants to catch a glimpse of his creations can visit the gallery.

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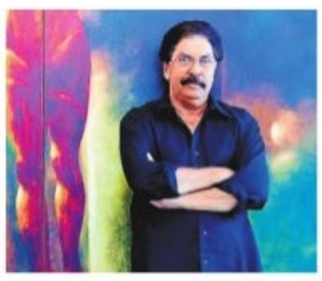


An artist's perspective

@quofles

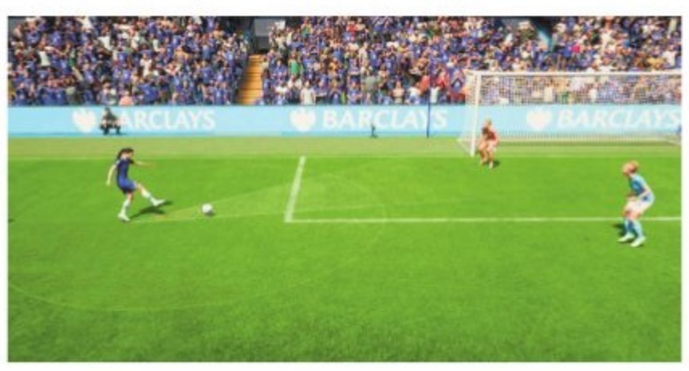
(This economics graduate spends her leisure time preparing for the zombie apocalypse)

The year 1994 heralded several pivotal moments in global entertainment. In February, British pop singer Harry Styles was born in Redditch, England. A month later, Justin Bieber came to be in London, Ontario. A few months later, in the same country, EA Canada released a sequel to a game that became very popular in 1993. They called it FIFA 95. And for no apparent reason (to me, atleast), every year since, a FIFA game has released. Why do they release a game every year? I wondered. Perhaps the rules of football change every year. Maybe gaming graphics for eSports are revolutionised within the short span of one year, that a simple software update wouldn't suffice. I don't know why. This annual event is baffling, and I am waiting for the perfect explanation.

Anyway, I played FIFA 23 last week. While I have not played the previous editions to any extent, I can compare it to other sports simulators. FIFA is probably the best within that very specific category. The tutorials are excellent for an absolute beginner. For some context, all my knowledge of football comes from a TV show called *Ted Lasso*. Given this, FIFA 23 did an excellent job of educating me on the rules. I learnt to pass and lob a ball, run around, and goal-keep with ease. Twenty minutes into the tutorials, and I also know exactly what an offside is.

Aside the network features and the actual matches, there were a couple of add-ons that I was pleasantly surprised by in the game. It was illuminating to understand the bigness of football — because this game allows me to play as specific real-life players, and as actual managers. It provided scenarios to make decisions. I would be given a budget, and the opportunity to make investments or reckless expenses. It would then convert into personality points, adjusting certain aspects of my player's skills — like their reflexes, running speed etc. Eventually, this would convert into the main currency of the single-player campaign: match results.

I could also play dress-up and decide the manager's outfit. In my heart of hearts, I believe that this is more than just a cosmetic change, and that it impacts the team in some unknowable way. If nothing else, this game certainly helped me develop a little interest in the franchise. If you don't understand football and desperately want to, this game might be a good start.



CITY READ

100 all-woman bikers' rally to raise awareness on breast cancer

An all-woman bikers' rally to raise awareness about breast cancer was organised by 'Kauvery Hospital Electronic City' in Bengaluru on Saturday for informing people that by regulating risk factors, such as unhealthy diets, physical inactivity and tobacco use, one can reduce the risk of developing breast cancer. Starting at Cubbon Road and culminating at Kauvery Hospital (Electronic City), the bike rally covered a 15-km route to Electronic City. Factors that increase the risk of breast cancer are weight gain, lack of exercise, alcohol, hormone replacement therapy, etc. On the occasion, S Vijay Baskaran, Executive Director, of Kauvery Hospital said: "Apart from being hereditary, breast cancer is more of a lifestyle disease. The age group of the prevalence of breast cancer has sharply come down from less than 60 years to less than 40 years. Breast cancer cannot be prevented, however, if it is detected early it is easier to treat."

Girias inaugurated its 117th store in Andrahalli

Girias inaugurated its 117th store in Andrahalli, on October 22. P.L.Giriaa, managing director of the brand, K.L.Giriaa, and Manish Giriaa inaugurated the new store by lighting lamps. During the inaugural sale which is happening between October 22-24. there are many offers like cashback, assured gifts, finance of any product with ₹1 down payment, and several other offers. There are no credit card charges during the sale period. Started in 1971 with a single 200 sq. ft. store is now 51 years old with 117 stores in 3 states and 61 cities.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

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I, **Mrs. Sindhu Chityala**, D/o Koti Reddy Chityala, W/o Donela Suryanarayana, aged about 32 years, R/at Ward No. 5, Sy No.334, Madhumithra Estates, Jigani Town, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District-560105, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SINDHU CHITYALA HANUMA to SINDHU CHITYALA**, henceforth she shall be known and called as **SINDHU CHITYALA** only, vide affidavit dated 20-10-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **Muniswamy. T** at Anekal.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Srishantha Mallikarjunaswamigalu,** S/o Late J.C.Sidda Mallaiah, aged about 63 years, R/at. Arameri Village, Arameri Post, Virajpet Taluk, Kodagu District-571218, Karnataka State, have changed my name from **Shree Santha Mallikarjunaswamygalu to Srishantha Mallikarjunaswamigalu** & my father's correct name is **J.C.Sidda Mallaiah.** Vide affidavit dated: 20-10-2022, sworn before Notary V.P.Ramesh, Virajpet.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, A. ATHINARAYANAN (New Name), S/o. Alagianambi, residing at No.3535, 3rd Cross, 9th Main, Kaveri Nagar, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560070, India, that I have changed my name from ADINARAYANAN .A (Old Name) to A. ATHINARAYANAN (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as A. ATHINARAYANAN (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 22/10/2022, before Notary T.R. Raghavendra Rao, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **AISHWARYA UDAY,** residing at No. 216, AECS Layout, 2nd Main, 4th Cross, Sanjaynagar, Bengaluru-560094, have changed my name from **AISHWARYA UDAYA AIL** to **AISHWARYA UDAY** vide affidavit Dated 20/10/2022 sworn before Notary G.B.Turamari, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MD NIZAMUDDIN**, S/o Abdul Majid, R/o OPP KEB Road Lashkar mohalllah, Vali Ahmed home Channagiri, Davanagere - 577213, Karnataka, have changed my name as **MOHAMMED NIZAMUDDIN** TO **MD NIZAMUDDIN** vide affidavit dated 17.10.2022 sworn before notary L Gopala Krishna, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Sri. **CHANDRASHEKAR. R**, S/o Ramanna Shetty, aged about 59 years, residing at No.80, 1st Cross, Mookambika Circle, Mookambika Nagar, Mylasandra Kengeri, VTC: Bangalore South, P.O. RV Niketan, Bengaluru- 560059. I state that, my name was mentioned in Adhaar Card has **'Chandrashekar. R'**, in my SSLC Marks card and pan card has **Chandrashekara. R'** and in my passport my name is mentioned has **'Chandrashekara Ramanna Shetty.'**. Hereby declare that, **'Chandrashekar. R', 'Chandrashekara. R', 'Chandrashekara Ramanna Shetty'** all the names are one and the same and it belongs to me only. Vide Affidavit dated 18.10.2022, Sworn before Advocate and Notary N. Nagappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Siddarth Jonathan,** aged about 32 years, resident of No.280, II Main, 5th Cross, Lake View Layout, Venkatala, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064, Have changed my name from **SIDDARTH JONATHAN** to **SIDDARTH CHAKRADHARAN.**, vide affidavit dated 21/10/2022 sworn to before S.Eswara Reddy Advocate and notary Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANOUSHKA TEGUR** aged about 19 years, D/o Govind D Tegur, R/a# 104, Mahaveer Ridge, Begur Koppa Road, Yelenahalli, Bangalore-560068. Have changed my name from **ANOUSHKA G TEGUR** to **ANOUSHKA TEGUR.**, vide affidavit dated 21/10/2022 sworn to before B. M. Chandrashekar advocate and notary Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) REKHA** Spouse of NO 15332466F NK (L) VEERAPPA Residing at Vill: Kadiwala, Post: Malagitti, Taluk: Kushtagi, Dist: Koppala, State: KARNATAKA, Pin:583280. Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) REKHA VEERAPPA HIREHAL** Vide Affidavit Dated 19.10.2022 Sworn Before Notary S.I. BALAGURU BANGALORE.

AFFIDAVIT

I Anuvind, S/o. Thulasidharan.V, residing at #220,4th Cross, 2nd Block, HMT Layout, Vidyaranya Pura, Bengaluru-560097. I State & Oath that I have Changed my name from Anuvind to Anuvind Thulasidharan Sworn in before Notary K.C. Pemmaiah dated 19/10/2022. In Future, in all my records & dealings I will be known, called & identified as Anuvind Thulasidharan.
Sd/-Anuvind

AFFIDAVIT

I, HARISH SUNDESHA S/o Late Lakma Ji, Resident of No 4, Bhavani Vatika, Swamy Vivekananda Layout, Muthanallur cross, Dommasandra, Bangalore -562125. Do hereby declare as per my all records my name is HARISH SUNDESHA and in my LIC police bearing No850759911. it is wrongly mentioned as HAKAMAJI LAKHMAJI MALI. Both the names belongs to me only and henceforth my name will be **HARISH SUNDESHA** only, Vide affidavit dated 20.09.2022 sworn to before Advocate and Notary Udaykariyappa.B.G, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, B.S.RAJASEKHARAN NAIR S/o G.Balakrishnan Nair, Resident of House No 5, 1st Main, 5th cross, Ramanna Garden, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore – 560097. Do hereby declare as per my Aadhaar card that my name is B.S.Rajasekharan Nair and in my Passport it is wrongly mentioned as RAJASEKHARAN NAIR. My actual name is **B.S.RAJASEKHARAN NAIR** only, Vide affidavit dated 22.10.2022 sworn to before Advocate and Notary R.Ramesh, Bangalore.

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I, Smt. **SHAILA CHANDRASHEKAR**, W/o Chandrashekar. R, aged about 57 years, residing at No.80, 1st Cross, Mookambika Circle, Mookambika Nagar, Mylasandra Kengeri, VTC: Bangalore South, P.O. RV Niketan, Bengaluru- 560059. I state that, my name was mentioned in SSLC Marks Card as **'Shailaja G'**, in Adhaar Card **'Shaila Chandrashekar'** and in Pan Card **'Shaila Chandrashekara'**. Hereby declare that, **'Shailaja G', 'Shaila Chandrashekar', 'Shaila Chandrashekara'** all the names are one and the same and it belongs to me only. Henceforth I will be called as **'SHAILA CHANDRASHEKAR'**. Vide Affidavit dated 18.10.2022, Sworn before Advocate and Notary N. Nagappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO 15324390X HAV RANJITH .V.S, of unit, CIW, DEPOT BN, MEG & CENTRE, BANGALORE, 560042, Have Changed My Daughter Name **(OLD NAME) HEPHZIBAH.R** to **(NEW NAME) TINA RANJITH** Vide Affidavit Dated 21.10.2022 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

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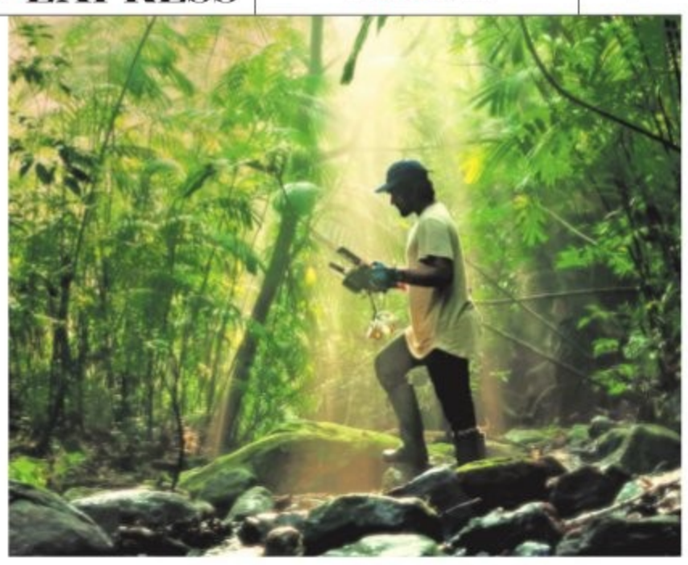
'IT WAS A FANBOY MOMENT FULFILLED'

says DOP and editor Pratheek Shetty who shared his experience on working with Puneeth Rajkumar in director Amoghavarsha's docu-drama, *Gandhada Gudi*

Pratheek Shetty



A SHARADHAA

PRATHEEK Shetty is known for both his editing and cinematography skills. If he got to collaborate with Rishab Shetty and Rakshit Shetty as an editor in *Sa.Hi.Pra Shaale, Hero, 777 Charlie,* and *Kantara,* he also worked as a second cameraman in Raj B Shetty's *Garuda Gamana Vrishaba Vahana.*

With Puneeth Rajkumar's *Gandhada Gudi*, Pratheek has taken up dual responsibilities of both cinematography and editing.

"Coming from Mangaluru, Raj, and I, along with a group of friends started out as ad filmmakers. The kind of projects we would get were usually low on budgets, and we couldn't afford to outsource either. So we ended up taking double responsibilities. That helped us learn everything on our own. Initially, I started as an editor and got an opportunity to work with music composer Ricky Kej when I came to Bengaluru. Having travelled with Ricky for 6 years, I got the opportunity to direct music videos, and that's when I got introduced to cinematography. Ricky and Amoghavarsha were mutual friends, and that's how I got to team up with the latter," says Pratheek Shetty.

Directed by Amoghavarsha, *Gandhada Gudi* is slated to release on October 28, and Pratheek shares his experience on working on the film and calls working with Puneeth a 'fanboy moment.' "I come from a middle-class background, and back then, I used to be part of a dance group. Puneeth was always an inspiration. I used to practice steps by watching his films. So when Amoghavarsha said that we are getting associated with Puneeth for a project, I felt it was a big deal," says Pratheek, adding, "Initially, I was scared because I was not used to working with such big stars. But Puneeth made it easy for all of us. Personally, I am a very small person to talk about Puneeth Sir, but I must say it was a fanboy moment fulfilled."

Pratheek explains how he went about shooting the docu-drama. "Since the entire film was shot in the wild, we went with natural light. Our shoot would begin as early as 6 am, for which we would wake up at 2 am, and would often trek to the location. Even Puneeth Sir showed the same amount of interest, which helped us to achieve that kind of output," says Pratheek, who travelled with the team for nearly 100 days. "There were times when Puneeth and Amoghavarsha would finish their portions. Post which, I would stay a week longer to take some extra shots," he adds.

DOP and editor with Puneeth Rajkumar and Amoghavarsha

Pratheek says that shooting with Puneeth for *Gandhada Gudi* was drastically different from working on a regular feature film. "We would make use of the early morning light between 6 am to 9 am, the golden light, and the night light. There was an equal amount of fun and responsibility. Unlike regular films, *Gandhada Gudi* did not have a script. Everything that happened between Amoghavarsha and Puneeth Rajkumar was captured. Making it spontaneous was the major challenge. I also got to be close to nature as the film had me study wildlife too. Amoghavarsha helped me and gave me the time to do a lot of recce before we went for the actual shoot. This helped to understand how one forest is different from another in terms of flora and fauna," says Pratheek.

When asked about Puneeth's love for nature, Pratheek says, "After spending those 100 days with Puneeth for *Gandhada Gudi,* I should say that he is an inspiration for people who want to live life to the fullest. Even when we were filming in the wild, he never threw airs about his stardom. He was not just being one of us, but also one with nature. His dedication to *Gandhada Gudi* was equal to his other feature films. The excitement in him was there throughout, and being with him through his journey was a privilege"

Pratheek asserts that both as a cinematographer and the editor, there is not doubt that *Gandhada Gudi* is an experimental film. "The lessons I learned after travelling for this film is that in India, we were taught about Zebras and Giraffes, which aren't really indigenous to our country. Watching *Gandhada Gudi* will give an insightful view of the wildlife we are surrounded with, and the nature in our own backyard," he signs off.

Pratheek with Rishab Shetty

MAFIA AIMS FOR A JANUARY 2023 RELEASE

CE FEATURES

A NEW poster from *Mafia*, featuring Prajwal Devaraj and Aditi Prabhudeva, has been released around the festive season of Deepavali.

The shooting of the action thriller, directed by Lohit H, is almost wrapped up except for a sequence, which will be canned in Bengaluru after the festival.

Produced by Kumar B under his Bengaluru Films Banner, *Mafia* will be one of the first films to be out in 2023 as the makers are aiming to release the film in January.

Mafia will be the 35th film of Prajwal Devaraj, and also stars his father Devaraj in a pivotal role. With cinematography by S Pandikumar and music by Anoop Seelin, Mafia also features Sadhukokila, Shine Shetty, Vijay Chendoor, and Vasuki Vaibhav.

Apart from *Mafia*, Prajwal has *Abbara, Veeram*, and *Gana* at different stages of production.

The crime thriller by Ravindra Parameshwarappa will be released on November 11

Yellow Gangs to hit the theatres on this date

CE FEATURES

DEBUTANT director Ravindra Parameshwarappa's *Yellow Gangs* gets a release date. A crime thriller with drug trade as its central theme, *Yellow Gangs* is all set to release on November 11.

This is the debut directorial of IT employee-turned-filmmaker Ravindra, an erstwhile assistant of Yogaraj Bhat. The makers, who had recently released the film's trailer, followed it with the announcement of the release date.

"Although there have been many crime thriller films in Kannada, this one is a bit different. Our movie has nineteen important characters including hero Dev Devaiah and heroine Archana Kottige. Sugnyan's cinematography and Rohit Sower's music will be the highlights of the film. The specialty of *Yellow Gangs* is that the entire film was shot with a handheld camera. There are no songs in the film, and more focus is given to the film's background score. Every artiste appears on screen without make-up," says Ravindra Parameshwarappa.

The film, which stars Satya BG, Arun Kumar, Natya Ranga, and Vineet Katti, is produced under the banner of Different Studios, What Next Movies and Key Lights.

Stills from the film, *Yellow Gangs*

Ajay Rao to play a crucial role in Krishna-starrer *Dil Pasand*

The film directed by Shiva Tejas to release on Nov 11
Ajay Rao

CE FEATURES

DIRECTOR Shiva Tejas' romantic comedy, *Dil Pasand,* is set to release on November 11. Starring Krishna, Nishvika Naidu, and debutante Megha Shetty in lead roles, the film also stars actor Ajay Rao in a pivotal role.

Not revealing many details about Ajay's character, producer Sumanth Kranthi said, the actor comes at a crucial point in this Shiva Tejas directorial.

Billed to be a fun-filled entertainer, *Dil Pasand,* named after a sweet, captures today's trending lifestyle among youngsters.

Dil Pasand, made under the Rashmi Films banner, also stars Rangayana Raghu, Sadhu Kokila, Tabla Nani, Aruna Balraj, and Giri Shivanna in pivotal roles. With music by Arjun Janya, Dilpasand has Shekar Chandra handling the cinematography for the film.

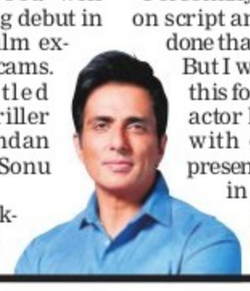
A still from *Dil Pasand*

Sonu Sood to make writing debut with *Fateh*

CE FEATURES

ACTOR Sonu Sood will make his writing debut in an upcoming film exploring digital scams. The film, titled *Fateh,* is an action thriller directed by Abhinandan Gupta. It also stars Sonu in the lead role.

"We have been working on it for one-and-half years," Sonu was quoted as saying by news agency PTI. "Personally, I have worked a lot on script and screenplay, I have done that in quite a few films. But I will take the credit for this for the first time." The actor has been consulting with ethical hackers to present an authentic story in *Fateh*, the report added. Fateh will go on the floors in December and will release by mid-next year. The film is produced by Zee Studios and Sood's banner Shakti Sagar Productions.



Speaking about the film, Sonu had earlier shared in a statement, "It is one of the most crucial subjects that need our attention. As soon as I read the script, I knew I wanted to be a part of it. I am extremely excited to bring this thought-provoking story to the audience."